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## GERMAN PLANES OVER FRANCE

Paris, To-day. In addition to reconnaissance raids over Britain yesterday, German planes also made an appearance over France. The air raid alarm was sounded over a wide area in north-western France, but no bombs were dropped.—Reuter.

## NAZIS MEET WITH TRADE SNAGS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Stockholm, To-day. The Moscow correspondent of the "Tidningen" reports that the Soviet-Nazi trade negotiations are meeting with serious difficulties, notably because the Soviet refuse to export metals which are indispensable for Germany's war economy.

The correspondent points out that several Russian iron works closed down recently on account of the lack of raw materials; Russian production is deficient and imports have been made difficult by the war.—Havas.

## SOVIET POLICY VEERS TOWARDS NEUTRALITY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Moscow, To-day. RELIABLE INDICATIONS here lead to the belief that despite the press campaign against the "Western Imperialists," Soviet Russia is gradually assuming more and more a neutral attitude.

The policy is chiefly motivated by the conviction now almost unanimously prevailing in Moscow that the Allies are winning the war and apprehension concerning the Allies' attitude to Russia following their victory.

The Soviets are in a difficult position as a result of their recent attitude, and this leads them, it is reported, to take all strategical positions to protect themselves in case of a new conflict.

## NAZI OPPRESSIVE MEASURES CONTINUE

London, To-day. THAT THE NAZIS have in no way cowed the remarkable spirit of Czecho-Slovakia, and that the notorious Black Guards are indulging in an orgy of hooliganism in Prague, is revealed in reliable reports reaching London last night.

A report from Bucharest says that workingmen and women are joining with students in resisting their Nazi oppressors.

A manifesto has been issued by Czech students in Prague, and distributed in pamphlet form in Prague and other Czech towns, saying, inter alia :

"The Czech youth will continue the fight against Nazism."

Other reports indicate that the students have been by no means quelled by the brutal methods of the Nazis.

Meanwhile, official Czech sources in London last night revealed information received from Prague through underground channels.

### SHRINE DESTROYED

According to this information, Black Guards and Gestapo (the Nazi secret police) are running wild in Prague.

The National Monument of Liberation, a Czech shrine containing documents relating to the Czech struggle for freedom in the Great War, has been destroyed.

### PICTURES STABBED

Black Guards, in a senseless orgy of destruction, burned valuable re-

cords and ran their daggers through pictures of President Masaryk and other Czech heroes.

The building is situated in the workmen's suburb of Prague, and contains many irreplaceable documents from the Great War.—Reuter.

### MINES MENACE

Copenhagen, To-day. Several floating mines have been sighted off north Jutland.

A warning has been issued to ship-

## FLOODS DEFEAT GERMANS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day. Continuous rains last week have again raised the level of the Rhine and its tributaries, slowing up military operations.

While the French, who hold the high bank of the Rhine, are not greatly disturbed, the Germans have again had to take measures to check the rising waters, notably by building dykes.

The Germans have abandoned several advanced positions which were flooded.—Havas.

## ESCAPE FROM GERMANY

Amsterdam, To-day. Four Germans who escaped from Germany to avoid military service were arrested in Amsterdam yesterday and interned.—Reuter.

ping by the Danish Ministry of Shipping.—Reuter.

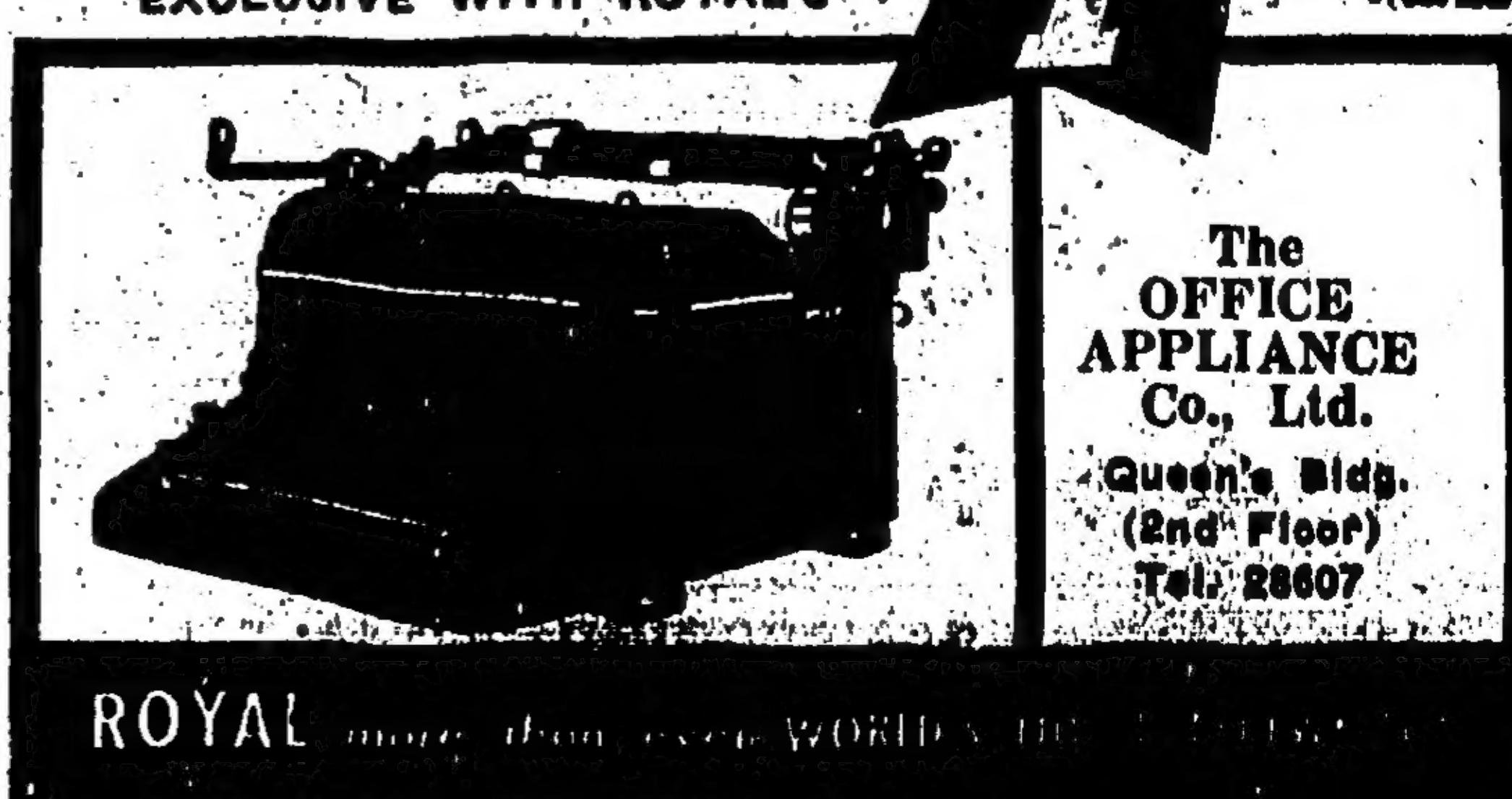


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## THE HOME FRONT

CO-OPERATION  
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London, To-day.

WAGE ADVANCES recently received by several million wage-earners are striking testimony to the joint collective agreement between employers and employees, which arrived at mutually satisfactory terms without Government intervention, friction or strikes.

The advances mean an improvement in real wages owing to price-fixing in a wide range of goods.

Examples of co-operation between labour and administration are the joint advisory council consisting of representatives of the Trades Union Congress and the Confederation of Employers, the appointment of a Trade Union adviser to the Ministry of Shipping, and four members of the T.U.C. General Council to advise the Ministry of Food.

The French Government is taking simultaneous action to stabilise wages. — Reuter.

RECRUITS  
FOR HOME  
DEFENCE

London, To-day.

The opening to voluntary recruitment of home defence battalions, for which the War Office announced on Thursday it would accept 20,000 men, has had an excellent response.

Fifty-seven battalions are being formed as part of county regiments.

These battalions will represent a transformation of the former national defence companies.

Recruiting for home defence battalions—the age limits for which are 35 to 50—opened on Friday and the number of applications in the first day and a half up to the end of last week is not yet available but the intake is understood to be quite satisfactory. — British Wireless.

AMBASSADOR'S  
CONFERENCEShanghai, To-day.  
Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, American Ambassador to China, arrived here yesterday from Hong Kong.

A conference was held later in the day with Admiral Thomas Hart, Commander-in-Chief of the American Asiatic Fleet, on board the American flagship. — Our Own Correspondent.

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## ROBBERS FRUSTRATED BY BOY

An eight-year-old Chinese lad frustrated the plans of two armed robbers early this morning the latter being forced to flee to avoid arrest.

At 2.30 a.m. two men, armed with revolvers, forced an entry into the house of Cheung Fat, teashop keeper, in Wong Yu Tan Village, Taipo.

Cheung was bound and gagged but his wife struggled with the men when they attempted to gag her. Their son managed to escape through the door and shouted for help.

The robbers decamped before the police arrived.

## TRAFFIC OFFENCES

Mr. C. A. Yole, No. 126, Kennedy Road, was summoned before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning, for speeding in Queen's Road East on November 1.

Traffic Sergeant Appleton said that the road was fairly clear, and defendant was travelling at 28 to 30 m.p.h.

A fine of \$10 was imposed. Mr. G. H. Gompertz, of Jardine Matheson's, was fined \$8 for parking overtime in Pedder Street car park on November 2.

Defendant pleaded guilty through a representative.

## WEATHER REPORT

The Royal Observatory reports that a moderate anti-cyclone covers Manchuria and the Sea of Japan.

A depression to the south-west of Shanghai will probably move eastward.

The small depression in the China Sea is situated about 350 miles to the west of Manila, moving west-north-west.

Another depression is situated to the east of Yap.

A pistol, No. 523423 of 1.32 calibre, and four rounds of ammunition, was stolen from the residence of Mr. C. B. Robertson of Victoria Road yesterday. A travelling clock, valued at \$85, was also stolen.

## SESSIONS CASE

Lau Ping, Wong Hoi, Chun Yuen, Chan Po and Chan Kam were this morning charged before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell at the Criminal Sessions.

The first three were charged with robbery by two or more of \$3,450, \$250 Chinese Currency, £10, U.S.\$45, and a quantity of jewellery from Chan Yung-loy at No. 49, Connaught Road Central on October 5.

The last two were charged with being accessories before the fact.

Wong Hoi and Chan Yuen pleaded guilty to the charge of robbery.

The jury was composed of Messrs. F. C. Clemo (foreman), W. G. Dorabjee, T. Chin, D. W. Forrest, Szeto Cheuk-yue, J. M. Pinna and D. W. Breken.

Mr. T. J. Gould, Assistant Crown Counsel said two defendants were charged with being accessories, and though they were not present during the robbery were alleged to have counselled, conspired or abetted in the felony.

The case is proceeding.

## CHILD TIED TO BED

"When the Police arrived they found the child tied round the waist to the bed and the defendant was beating her with a piece of wood," said Inspector H. W. Fraser, of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, in the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when a 26-year-old married woman, Chan Pui-ying, was charged with ill-treating her six-year-old daughter. "I cannot control her," replied defendant's husband to the Magistrate who fined defendant \$100 or two months' hard labour.

Inspector Fraser stated that at 10.45 p.m. last Saturday defendant's husband requested the principal tenant to call the police.

A medical examination disclosed that the injuries sustained by the child may have an effect on the child's health.

Defendant said the child attempted to climb over the veranda and would not obey her.

Suffering from head injuries sustained when a rock fell on him, Wong Hok, 42-year-old woman, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital yesterday.

Knocked down by a car in Saigon Road yesterday Lau Siu-hong, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital with head injuries.

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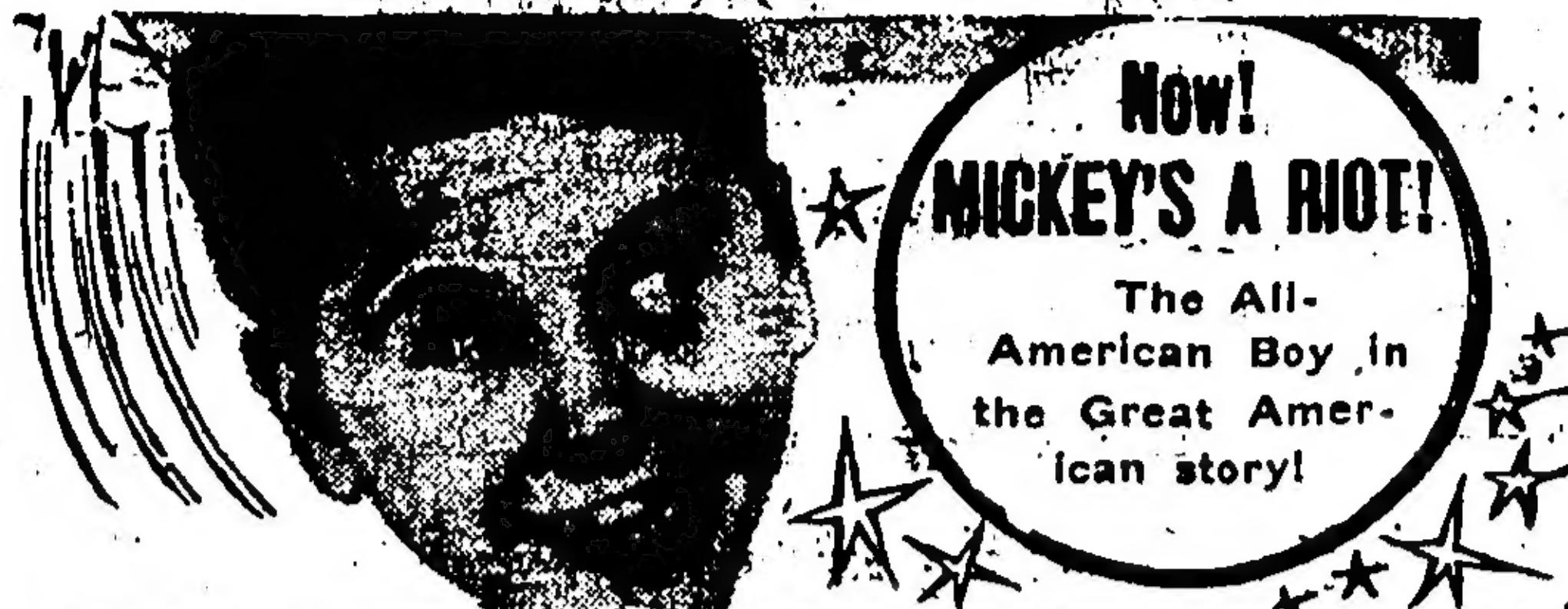
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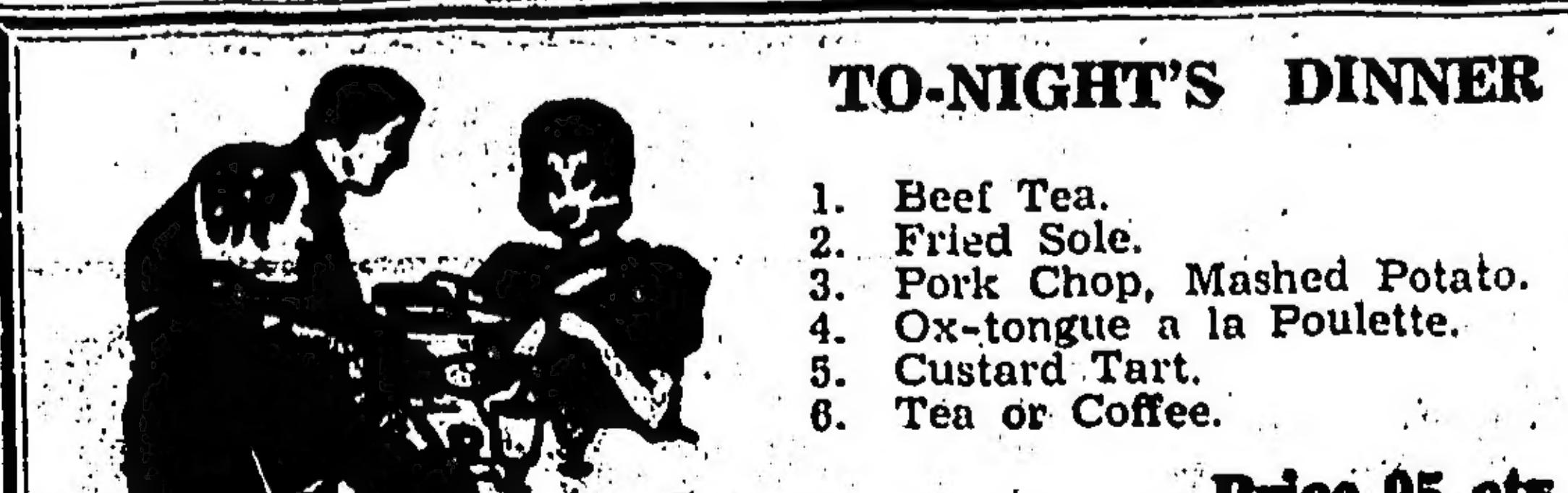
\* Guns of Maginot Line shelling the German defences

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# KWANGSI BATTLE

## Pai Chung-Hsi's Troops Hold The Invaders

### CHINESE SUCCESS ON COAST

Kwang Chow Wan, To-day.

**THE FIRST BIG BATTLE** between the invading Japanese forces and the Chinese troops from Nanning occurred yesterday morning on Kwangsi soil some 20 miles from Nanning, according to reliable messages received here last night.

Furious fighting continued all day and into the night, the Japanese being supported by aircraft.

The Chinese used howitzers, small field pieces and trench mortars in the hilly countryside. Three planes are claimed by the Chinese to have been shot down.

The Japanese are bringing up heavy artillery from Yamchow to endeavour to break through the Chinese lines, which have halted the Japanese advance further inland to Nanning.

#### CHINESE SUCCESS

The Chinese claim another success along the coast at Fongshing, south-west of Yamchow, where the Japanese effected their second landing.

Following a furious counter-attack, the Chinese re-entered Fongshing yesterday afternoon, and last night street clashes between the Chinese and the Japanese were reported.

Fires are also said to have been started in the town by the Chinese.—Our Own Correspondent.

#### THREAT TO PAKHOI

Kwang Chow Wan, To-day. Pakhoi, which the Japanese have yet made no determined effort to occupy, is being threatened from the rear.

Japanese troops which landed on

the coast north-west of the port have advanced inland and were yesterday reported near Limchowfu, north of Pakhoi.

The Japanese apparently aim to force the withdrawal of the Chinese from Pakhoi without fighting.

Limchowfu was heavily bombed yesterday and many civilians were wounded and killed.

Japanese aircraft also dropped thousands of leaflets in other areas.—Our Own Correspondent.

#### STORM TROOPS IN POLAND

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Berne, To-day.

A German broadcast yesterday stated that a detachment of Storm Troops arrived in Cracow on Sunday and were put at the disposal of Dr. Frank, the Governor of German-occupied Poland.—Havas.

#### OFF THE RECORD

By Ed Reed



"I'll be glad to leave Echo Lake—every time I call to George for something he accuses me of nagging!"

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### NAZI PLANES OVER SWITZERLAND

Berlin, To-day. The Swiss Minister in Berlin has protested to the Nazi Foreign Minister against the repeated flights of German aircraft over Swiss territory, and the fact that German anti-aircraft shells fell in the Basel region.

The German Minister in Berne expressed regret for the involuntary violation of Swiss air space by German planes, but made no mention of German shells.—Reuter.

### MR. CONGER FORCED OUT

Berlin, To-day. Mr. Beach Conger, Berlin correspondent of the "New York Herald Tribune," has had to leave Nazi Germany.

Mr. Conger reported unrest in the Reich, getting the information, he said, from several reliable sources.

The Nazi Propaganda Ministry immediately told him to file a clear denial of his reports or else find his privileges cancelled and his despatches revoked. He was not allowed to use the telephone or the telegraph and was forbidden to attend the press conferences.

Since it was impossible for him to do his work in the face of this, Mr. Conger found himself obliged to leave.—Reuter.

### GERMAN U-BOATS LAYING ZIG-ZAG PATTERN MINEFIELDS OFF ENGLAND

London, To-day.

**THE GERMAN PRACTICE** of illegal mining outside enemy territorial waters is nothing new. In June, 1915, four merchant ships and two destroyers were blown up on one day in a field near a sunken lightship where German mines were laid. The two explosions in the Simon Bolivar sinking suggests that the mine-field was laid in a zig-zag pattern.

### FAR EAST WAR RISK CHANGES

London, To-day. The Institute of London Underwriters notify alterations in the current schedule.

The alterations include voyages within the area Siam-India-Dutch Indies-Malaya-British North Borneo, including voyages between the Straits and Indo-China not north of Saigon, which are henceforth 10/- per cent.

However, voyages between Malayan ports, excluding Singapore, are 5/- per cent.—Reuter.

This is a type of sowing that is not practised in waters a nation's own fleet expects to use, because it is impossible to plot the exact positions of the mines on the secret charts issued to commanding officers for guidance.

#### GERMAN TRICK

The disaster occurred in a channel which is regularly swept, but there was no slackness on the part of the sweepers, since it is a favourite trick of German U-boat minelayers to approach at periscope depth the area swept and sow mines shortly after.

The German denials are utterly discredited because Britain obviously would not mine without notification an established channel of seaborne traffic.

#### MINE CLUMPS

Germany has announced that the mining of some areas, notably those closing the Baltic, is forcing neutrals to use the Kiel Canal, but German U-boats lay clumps of mines unannounced in channels this side of the North Sea in order to inflict losses before the minefields are discovered and swept.

Many German mines have been washed up on the east coast.—Reuter.

### TUBE STATIONS REOPENED

London, To-day. War conditions have not held up the progress of the £3,250,000 London tube extension.

Yesterday a new line between Baker Street and Stanmore, eleven miles outside the centre of London, was opened.

New intermediary stations have been provided at St. John's Wood and Swiss Cottage.

The Oxford Circus tube station, which with certain other stations had been closed since the war began for the provision flood-proof doors, was also reopened yesterday, three days earlier than originally announced.—British Wireless.

Hingtsi, Shensi, To-day. Following their recapture of Yitai-tow and Newwangmiao, south-east of Puhsien in west Shensi, Chinese forces are now reported to be pressing towards Kucheng.

The Chinese advancing on Helling-kwan have occupied several strategic points in the suburbs. They are pressing forward steadily.

In south-east Shensi, the Chinese staged successful raids on the Japanese at Hukwan and Lucheng last week, slaying many of them.

### CHINESE SUCCESSES IN SHANSI

## PLANE DOWNED BY RIFLE FIRE

Amsterdam, To-day. The Nazi plane brought down by the Dutch yesterday is believed to have been shot down with rifles.

This is according to an unofficial version of the affair, which says that a frontier guard actually shot the pilot with rifles.

An official announcement confirms that the plane was shot down from the ground.

The "Handelsblat" learns that the German pilot who was shot by the Dutch on Saturday was badly wounded and reached German territory with great difficulty.

It is understood that the Dutch Legation in Berlin has taken up the matter of German planes flying over Holland with the German Government. —Reuter.

## CHINESE RAID ON FATSHAN

Shiuhsing, To-day. Chinese warplanes conducted a successful air attack on the Japanese in Fatshan, 10 miles south-west of Canton, last Friday.

Despite intense Japanese anti-aircraft gunfire, they dumped some 50 missiles. Direct hits were scored on the Japanese barracks, supply depots and defence works. Several fires were started.

All the machines returned to their base safely. —Central News.

## NOT AFRAID OF GOEBBELS

London, To-day. Neutral observers in London have remarked on the fact that the newspaper "The Times" still publishes the hours and wavelengths of German broadcasts from Hamburg, Cologne and Zeesen in English as illustrating how little responsible British quarters fear the influence of German propaganda.

They contrast the practice of the German authorities of threatening and arresting German listeners to B.B.C. broadcasts in German. —British Wireless.

## COLONIAL OFFICE APPOINTMENT

London, To-day. It is announced by the Colonial Office that Mr. S. Moody, Deputy Chief Secretary in Palestine, has been appointed Colonial Secretary, Mauritius, in succession to Mr. E. W. Evans, who has retired. —British Wireless.

## WESTERN FRONT STILL QUIET

Paris, To-day. Last night's French war communiqué said: "There was reduced activity on the front. There were a few patrols and some artillery fire." —Reuter.

## YUNNANFU FIRE

Kunming, To-day. The offices of the Department of Education of the Yunnan Provincial Government were partially gutted by fire early yesterday morning.

The conflagration lasted about an hour. —Central News.

## OFFICIAL LIST

London, To-day. The official list of the Simon Bolívar casualties gives the names of 84 missing and killed. —Reuter.



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## MINE WARFARE

# WEEK-END TOLL OF MERCHANT SHIPS: EIGHT VESSELS SUNK BY NAZIS IN THE NORTH SEA

**EIGHT MERCHANT SHIPS** have now been sunk over the week-end by German mines or enemy action in the North Sea. They are:—

The Dutch passenger liner Simon Bolivar, in which 126 people lost their lives, and whose 300 survivors are now being cared for in England.

Italian s.s. Gracia, 5 killed, 16 missing;

Swedish s.s. Bojessen, 6 lost, 8 injured;

British s.s. Blackhill, 2,500 tons, whose 22 survivors have been landed safely.

Yugoslav s.s. Carica Milica, the fate of whose crew is unknown;

British trawler Wigmore, several of whose crew of 16 are missing;

British collier Torchbearer, four badly injured, 9 missing; and the

British s.s. Pensilva, 4,000 tons, whose crew are safe and have been landed.

#### PATHETIC PICTURES

All these ships, with the exception of the Pensilva, were victims of German mines; the Pensilva was sunk "by enemy action."

The Pensilva, 4,316 tons gross, was owned by the R. B. Chelwell S. N. Co., Ltd. Registered at Falmouth, she was 365 feet long, with a breadth of 51 feet and a depth of 26 feet. She was built at West Hartlepool in 1913 by W. Gray and Co., Ltd.

The British press is full of pathetic pictures of survivors of the Dutch liner Simon Bolivar. One photo shows two 6-months old babies whose parents are missing. Another shows a Dutch woman with two of her children; the other three are missing.

#### MORE BRUTAL

There is no question, semi-official circles state, but that the Germans are laying their mines indiscriminately across the regular shipping lanes. They have resorted to this because of the failure of their equally illegal U-boat campaign.

This, however, is more brutal. The submarine at least has a chance of distinguishing between belligerent and neutral ships, but the present campaign has resulted in the loss of 5 neutral ships and only 3 British vessels.

All of them are merchantmen.

The German press is telling the German public that British mines have caused the disasters. But British mines have not been laid anywhere near where the Simon Bolivar was sunk and in any event Britain has nothing to gain from mining the shipping routes used by her own and by neutral ships.

#### LOOSE MINES

Furthermore, no British mines are laid without full notification being given to both British and neutral shipping.

A dozen mines have been washed up on the Belgian Coast. One exploded near Ostend and broke the windows of a military hospital three miles away.

It is considered unlikely that the Germans are using loose mines. British mines are equipped with a device which makes them harmless should they break away. This is required by international law. Many German mines are not fitted with this device.

In this connection, a statement made to a Dutch newspaper by Nazi Admiral Raeder, two weeks after the war began is recalled. "The Germans," he said, "intend to conform to the rules laid down in the Hague Convention concerning the laying of mines."

#### THE LIES GROW

One also recalls Hitler's speech to the Reichstag on September 1. "I will not war against women and children," he said.

London, To-day.

The London "Daily Express" prints this and under it the German allegation that the disasters were caused by British mines. The article is headed:—"The Lies Grow!"—Reuter.

## STOPPED BY "BOY"

Convicted of stealing clothes belonging to Mr. E. D. Edwards residing at the Knutsford Hotel; and of a breach of the Deportation Ordinance, Ho Sing, 38, was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. E. Himsworth at Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Accused was arrested by a boy employed in the Hotel whilst attempting to leave the premises. The clothes were found wrapped round his waist.

## NAZI ADMIRAL CONDEMNED BY HIS OWN WORDS

London, To-day.

IN CONNECTION WITH the tragic loss of life in the sinking of the Dutch liner Simon Bolivar it is being recalled that in the second week of September the Berlin correspondent of the Amsterdam newspaper *Handelsblad*, in an interview with the German Grand-Admiral Raeder, asked a number of questions relating to the conduct of the war at sea.

In reply to an enquiry about minefields Admiral Raeder said the laying of minefields would be carried out according to the Hague convention of 1907.

Two of the Articles of the Convention to which Admiral Raeder referred, and which is known as the "Convention relative to the laying of automatic submarine contact mines—No. VII" run as follows:

"It is forbidden to lay automatic contact mines off the coasts and ports of an enemy with the sole object of intercepting commercial navigation.

"When anchored automatic contact mines are employed every possible precaution must be taken for the security of peaceful navigation.

#### MOST EXPLICIT

"Belligerents undertake to provide as far as possible for these mines becoming harmless after a limited time has elapsed, and where mines cease to be under observation to notify the danger zones as soon as military exigencies permit by a notice to mariners which must also be communicated to the governments through diplomatic channels."

Nothing could be more explicit than the terms of the Convention, on the obligations of which Admiral Raeder chose to remind his neutral interlocutor only a few weeks ago.

Yet, in spite of his assurance, German U-boats are already—after seven weeks of war—making a practice of laying minefields in channels used by merchantmen on the west side of the North Sea.

Such minelaying directly contravenes the laws of war. It also renders nugatory the word of Grand-Admiral Raeder.—British Wireless.

#### SPECIAL MEASURES CALLED FOR

Oslo, To-day.

An Oslo paper says that special measures are called for if the seas are to be made impossible for neutral ships.

It urges neutral countries to take active steps to clarify this problem.—Reuter.

## GERMAN PILOT KILLED

Amsterdam, To-day.

The pilot of a German plane which crashed in Holland, near the German frontier, after being attacked by Dutch aircraft, has been killed.

German planes have been infringing on Dutch neutrality during the past two days and it is now officially announced in Berlin that the pilot of a German plane was seriously wounded on Saturday, when two trespassing Nazi planes were attacked by a Dutch machine.—Reuter.

## U-BOAT CAMPAIGN'S FAILURE

London, To-day.

The ocean-going tonnage of the British Merchant Marine at present consists of about 18,500,000 tons in ships of over 500 tons.

Despite requisitioning by Government departments nearly 90 per cent. of this tonnage remains engaged in purely mercantile work.

The small results of the German U-boat campaign are demonstrated in the fact that nearly 99 per cent. of British imports are arriving safely at British ports, and total losses of British mercantile tonnage from all causes during the war amount to less than three-quarters of one per cent. of the total ocean-going tonnage. —Reuter.

## U.S. NAZI LEADER'S TRIAL

New York, To-day.

Judge Wallace, presiding at the trial of Fritz Kuhn, leader of the German-American Bund, who is charged with embezzlement, said yesterday that the prosecution had so far failed to offer proof "beyond reasonable doubt" that the defendant was guilty.

Prosecuting counsel replied that although the prosecution had rested its case, it would bring irrefutable proof before finally ending.—Reuter.

Money and jewellery to the value of \$715 were stolen between 2 a.m. and 7 a.m. yesterday from No. 11, Tai Tam Village, occupied by Wong Yau-yu.

## CIVIL WAR VICTIM EXHUMED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Alicante, To-day.

The remains of Jose Antonio Primo de Riveira, son of the former Spanish Dictator, were exhumed here yesterday and re-buried.

De Riveira was shot by the Republicans during the Civil War.—Havas.

## ECONOMIST'S SCHEME

## COMPULSORY SAVINGS SYSTEM

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

THE FAMOUS ECONOMIST, Mr. J. M. Keynes, elaborated on a vast scheme providing for a compulsory savings system to enable British economy to survive the rigours of war and to avoid after-war depression.

He stated that such a scheme would prevent violent rise in prices thereby precluding the tragic usual descents after war.

Compulsory savings should be blocked for the duration of the war but would be released upon the return to peace.

While salaries should be fully paid according to the present high level,

the full amounts should not be paid in cash, the remainder being placed in postal savings accounts.

According to Mr. Keynes, the enforcement of such a system would provide the British Treasury with an annual amount of £400,000.—Havas.

# THE CZECH REVOLT

## Nazi Governor In Berlin: Forerunner Of More Horror?

### MORE BLACK GUARDS DRAFTED INTO PRAGUE

London, To-day.  
IT IS REPORTED from Prague that Baron von Neurath, Nazi Protector of Bohemia and Moravia, has been summoned to Berlin to report to Hitler.

Baron von Neurath will have a lot of explaining to do, as in spite of the most repressive measures in Czechoslovakia he has not stamped out the Czech revolt, the embers of which are still glowing fiercely.

Although many executions have been carried out, and thousands of arrests made, order has not yet been fully restored in the former Czech provinces.

The gravity with which the Nazis view the situation is indicated by the sudden despatch to Prague and other large Czech towns of more high officials of the dreaded Black Guards and Gestapo (secret police).

IN POLAND TOO  
Meanwhile, Nazi repressive measures against Jews are spreading to Poland in more intense form.

In Warsaw, all Jews are to be isolated in one district, which will be barricaded off and put under strict control.—Reuter.

FRENCH THEORY  
Paris, To-day.  
Commenting on the Nazi terror in Bohemia and Moravia, the newspaper "L'Œuvre" states the opinion that Hitler is trying to guarantee his rear prior to a large-scale offensive on the western front.—Havas.

AMERICAN CZECHS PROTEST  
(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")  
Chicago, To-day.

The Czechoslovak National Council has issued a strong protest against the "wave of terrorism sweeping Czechoslovakia and the murder of nine Czech students by the Nazis.

"We invite all true Americans to join us in a public protest against the piteless and appalling murder of the nine students, whose only crime was their protest against the brutal Nazi oppression and slavery inflicted on their country."—Havas.

BLACK GUARDS PATROL  
Prague, To-day.

An indication of the unrest prevailing in Prague and other Czech cities is seen in the fact that Nazi Black Guards are patrolling the streets with hand machine-guns.

The Gestapo is still trying to lay its hands on the leaders of the Czech demonstrations.

### OPPOSED TO NAZI WAR POLICY

Berne, To-day.  
Hugo Stinnes, one of the first backers of the Nazi Party in Germany, who has taken refuge in Switzerland, said yesterday that he was opposed to the Nazis' war policy.

This policy, he added, threatened the most dire consequences.—Reuter.

### EXTENSION TO UNDERGROUND

London, To-day.  
A new extension to the Underground came into operation yesterday, by which the Bakerloo tube is taken as far as Finsbury.

The work is estimated to have cost £5,000,000.—Reuter.

### SOVIET-FINNISH TALKS

Helsinki, To-day.  
Though no further negotiations have taken place between the Soviet and Finland following the return of the delegation from Moscow, a statement was issued here yesterday.

A spokesman of the Finnish Foreign Office said: "We are investigating all the possibilities and do not wish to delay any possible settlement."

The spokesman added it had not yet been decided whether the earlier stages of the negotiations are to be discussed openly in Parliament.

Meanwhile the Helsinki stock exchange has reopened.—Reuter.

SIGNIFICANT  
(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")  
Helsinki, To-day.

Significance is attached to the fact that M. Passikivi, the Finnish Minister to Stockholm, who played an important part in the Finno-Soviet conversations, is returning to Stockholm shortly.—Havas.

### NEUTRALS BLAME GERMANY

Copenhagen, To-day.  
Commenting on the numerous sinkings of merchantmen by Nazi mines, the leading Danish newspaper says: "It is no longer a matter of drifting mines but of mines which have been laid in secret."

"Though we only have the British version of the sinkings, for Britain to lay mines on her own trade routes would be suicidal."

In Oslo yesterday, a Norwegian journal says that it is time steps were taken to clarify the problem.

In Holland, while the newspapers make no comment, many tributes are paid to Britain for rescuing the survivors.—Reuter.

A large quantity of jewellery and \$877 in Hong Kong and Chinese currencies were stolen from No. 2, Kwan Yick Street, residence of Tsang Fuk, proprietor of the Man Lee Fish Firm.

### DEATH'S HEADS IN POLAND

Krakow, To-day.  
The Death's Head Battalion of the Nazi Black Guards has arrived in Krakow to start its duties.

This is a special unit of the Gestapo, and is used to suppress anti-Nazi activities or to organize Jew-baiting.—Reuter.

### RESCUED SEAMEN'S STORY

London, To-day.  
How they spent more than an hour in the ship's life-boats waiting for their vessel to be sunk by a U-boat, was described yesterday by the survivors of a torpedoed British steamer.

When the submarine appeared the crew abandoned ship, but instead of sinking the merchantman the U-boat submerged and disappeared.

After waiting an hour, the captain decided to return to his ship, but just as the boat's crews started to pull towards the vessel the submarine's periscope was sighted and a torpedo was fired.

The missile struck amidship, and the ship's funnel was blown off when the boilers exploded.—Reuter.

### MINISTER OF WAR RETURNS

London, To-day.  
Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, the Secretary for War, returned by air yesterday from his visit to France.

Before leaving he entertained M. Daladier (French Premier), General Gamelin (Allied commander-in-chief), General Ironside (Chief of the British General Staff) and other prominent British and French leaders at luncheon.

He also attended a discussion at the Ministry of War in Paris, and subsequently informed Reuter he had had "some most useful talks."—Reuter.

### MR. KATO CALLS ON ENVOYS

Shanghai, To-day.  
Mr. Sotomatsu Kato, Japanese Minister-at-Large, is calling on Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr, the British Ambassador, this morning, and is later calling on Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, the United States Ambassador.

It is authoritatively learned that both are courtesy calls following Mr. Kato's recent return from Japan.—Reuter.

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### NAZI WARNING TO CZECHS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Amsterdam, To-day.  
The official Deutsche Nachrichten Büro, the Nazi news agency, has released a statement by Czech President Hacha, who is under home arrest in Lány Castle:

"Emigrants and irresponsible groups have provoked events seriously jeopardizing the status of Bohemia and Moravia proclaimed by Hitler on March 16, 1939.

"The Czechs are incorporated into the Reich's vital space.

"Naturally, the Germans must create by every possible means conditions for victory and have the means to do so. Contrary to former Austria, Germany is not leading the Czechs to war.

NAZI THREAT  
"New demonstrations might prove disastrous for the whole Czech people.

"It is useless to cause further victims by voluntarily closing our eyes before realities."—Havas.

### NANNING BOMBED

Kwelin, To-day.  
Thirty-two Japanese planes staged air raids over a wide area in Kwangsi yesterday.

Nanning, the capital, was subjected to two raids. Scores of bombs were rained inside and outside the city.

Nine machines bombed Wuming, north of Nanning, while nine others attacked Tsienkiang, northeast of Wuming.—Central News.

### FOREIGN POLICE OFFICER FREE

Chungking, To-day.  
J. O. Egeberg, Danish Probationary Sergeant of the Shanghai Municipal Council police force, who was arrested by Japanese Gendarmerie in the western district shortly after noon on November 19 was released in the evening, according to a Shanghai dispatch.

The two Chinese policemen and a female searcher who were arrested at the same time are understood to be still under detention.—Central News.

### SUBSTITUTE FOR OLYMPICS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")  
New York, To-day.

The Amateur Athletic Union has appointed a special committee to examine the eventual organization of Pan-American Games in case Finland is unable to hold the 1940 Olympics.

Suggestions that the Games be held in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Los Angeles, Havana and Buenos Aires have been received.—Reuter.



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## MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

### A WISE STEP

The decision to reduce the British and French garrisons in North China is, in the light of all the circumstances, a sound move, and one which was obviously dictated by the necessities of war. The decision was not reached, as one German jibe would have it, because of the inability to secure sufficient recruits in Great Britain to send to France, for the fact is that men are being called up only as quickly as they can be trained with existing facilities, and that for the Allied immediate purposes Great Britain is supplying sufficient strength in manpower, having in those classes which have not yet been called up a wealth of reserve which will make itself felt as the war progresses. Nor is the decision the result of Japanese representations made some time ago, shortly after the outbreak of war, to the effect that the troops of warring nations should be withdrawn from China in order to avoid incidents. It will be remembered that both Great Britain, and France refused to agree to that step then, and the fact is that had the Japanese not made that request the reduction of British and French forces in North China would have been effected much earlier. When the decision of the British Government to reduce the naval patrol on the Yangtze is taken into consideration, it is obviously clear that it was reached as a result of a desire not to leave too many men, whose services would be of considerable use elsewhere, wasting their time doing protective work which could safely be handled by a much smaller force, and, as in the Yangtze, the British flag will still be kept flying by the minimum of men left there for the purpose of affording whatever protection may be necessary to British interests in Tientsin and Peiping. The withdrawal of these forces, therefore, constitutes no relinquishment of

ment. It is not impossible that there may be such a development, because war-makers when desperate are disposed to resort to desperate means and desperate acts.

However, it might as well be realised that appeasement as a means to head off desperate and outlaw acts has been proven ineffective. American refusal to change the discriminatory neutrality legislation for fear of offensive acts by the ones convenience by the old act would have been nothing more nor less than a cowardly attempt at appeasement. The chances are that it would have been as useless and as harmful as a lot of other appeasement efforts have been — for the same reasons, too. — "Manila Bulletin."

### CHINA'S PEACE ECONOMY

China's economy of peace assumes greater significance when it is contrasted with Japan's economic structure, which is an economy of war. All the available manpower, machines and materials in Japan are being used almost entirely for making munitions and other essential war implements. The export and "peace" industries in Japan are being left to subsist on crumbs left by the war industries.

This contrast between the Japanese and Chinese economy is important because even at this time one has to think of the years and decades which will follow Sino-Japanese armistice.

After the conflict,

Japan, having concentrated her efforts on building an economy of war, will have on her hands an over-expanded munitions industry, a lost world market and a depleted national treasury.

On the other hand, China, having built during wartime a productive economy of peace, will have, after the conflict is over, a new and rich South-West, an expanded export market developed as a result

of the urgent necessity of war, and an agricultural economy based on a stronger and more modern foundation. It is this balance sheet in China's favour which has prompted many observers to believe that although China's army may be "down," her economic strength is far from being "out." — "China Press."

### CERTAIN PEACE

"We have taken up arms against aggression and we will not lay them down again until the world has certain peace.

"Every six months Germany makes new territorial demands and then says she is satisfied.

"Far from bringing about a reduction of armament, this system makes other nations increase their armament.

"In order to bring about a lasting peace . . . we must fight against the abuses of force.

"A security of nations can come about only by mutual understanding devoid of all surprises.

"The time has passed when a territorial conquest brings happiness to people. — M. Daladier.

### JAPAN IN TROUBLE

"Militarily, economically and diplomatically Japan to-day is in an extremely difficult position.

In the military field, all the present indications point to the fact that Japan's campaign of conquest will ultimately fail. As a result of more than two years of war, Japanese casualties exceeded 1,000,000, while their forces in China, numbering approximately another 1,000,000, are far from sufficient to man the steadily widening fronts. Furthermore, the continued stalemate in the military operations affects the morale of Japanese soldiers on Chinese soil and Japanese civilians at home.

Economically, Japan is nearing exhaustion. The increasingly huge military expenditure incurred by her China campaign is being chiefly financed by taxation, thus enhancing the burden of the people. Issuance of public bonds to finance the war are estimated at more than Yen 20,000,000,000. — "Chinese-American Daily News."

### OBSEQUIES OF APPEASEMENT

The old U. S. neutrality act, under conditions resulting from the Nazi-Soviet arrangement, worked to the advantage of the dictators' camp, because it left the democratic allies without a source of supplies to match the Russian source for the German armies and the German industries supporting the German armies in the field. Unintentionally, American influence and American resources were on the side against which American sentiment stands as a matter of basic principle.

Now the situation is changed.

If the final effect turns out to be in the direction of involving the United States in an active or non-neutral way, it will be because the Nazi-Soviet alliance resents the nullifying of their advantage and expresses such resentment through acts specifically calculated to force American involve-

# NAZIS OVER THE THAMES

## BOMBING ATTACK ON BRITISH DESTROYER

London, To-day.

**NAZI AERIAL ACTIVITY** over Britain yesterday, though only three planes were definitely sighted, extended from the south of England and the London area to the Orkneys, in the far north.

The enemy raiders were obviously following up the almost daily flights of the last fortnight or so with a further reconnaissance patrol.

The area chiefly affected was the Thames Estuary, Essex and South Kent.

## SOVIET, JAPAN AND CHINA

Moscow, To-day.

M. Molotov, Soviet Foreign Commissar, and Mr. Togo, Japanese Ambassador to Moscow, have agreed to open negotiations for a trade treaty based on the most favoured nation clause.

It will cover questions of Japanese-Soviet and Chinese-Soviet ports.

The exchange of views is still in a very preliminary stage and it is not yet decided where the negotiations will be held. Russia prefers Moscow, but as the Japanese do not have any commercial experts attached to the Embassy there the Japanese favour Tokyo as the venue.

Soviet-Japanese trade is at present insignificant and the basis for a large expansion is lacking; nevertheless, the negotiations are important, principally as they are part of the Soviet effort to improve its political relations with Japan for the purpose of obtaining a freer hand on its western frontier.

### SOVIET-CHINESE RELATIONS

The success of this effort will depend mainly on the Soviet's attitude to China.

Some observers here believe that Russia is prepared to abandon its support of Chiang Kai-shek in order to secure an arrangement with Japan, but others are doubtful, having regard to the long tradition of Russian political activity in China.—Reuter.

### SWISS PROTEST

Zurich, To-day.

The Swiss Government has lodged a protest with Berlin against the violation of Swiss territory on Sunday, when anti-aircraft shells from across the frontier injured two people in the city of Basel.—Reuter.

### AUSTRIAN ARRESTS

Vienna, To-day.

Arrests of Austrians are made daily. The unrest in Austria has arisen over the arrest of a high official of the Viennese police.—Reuter.

### BIGGEST LOSS

Amsterdam, To-day.

The managing director of the Royal Dutch Steamship Co., owners of the Simon Bolivar, described the loss as the biggest the company has ever sustained.—Reuter.

A German plane was sighted flying at a tremendous height and British fighters took off.

The plane made off at high speed towards the coast, and when our fighters drew off, the enemy machine was engaged, without effect, by anti-aircraft batteries.

### DESTROYER ATTACK

Another machine flew over the south-east coast, but it is not clear if it was the same craft or another. The air raid warning was sounded and the all clear went an hour later.

Another Nazi reconnaissance plane visited the Orkneys and was driven off by anti-aircraft fire.

Meanwhile an unsuccessful attack on one of our destroyers in the North Sea may have been carried out by one of the planes which had flown over Britain earlier.

### CINEMA AUDIENCES STAY

London, To-day.

Air raid warnings were sounded in several south-east coast towns last night.

The cinemas were in full swing but the majority of audiences stayed.

No gunfire or bombs were heard and the all clear was signalled after an hour.

### THAMES GUNS IN ACTION

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry state that anti-aircraft batteries along the lower reaches of the Thames opened fire yesterday morning at hostile aircraft.

An air force fighter patrol chased the raider out to sea from the Essex coast.

### BOMBER ATTACK

It is officially announced that a German bomber unsuccessfully attacked a British destroyer in the southern area of the North Sea yesterday.—Reuter.

## BRITISH TRADE INCREASE

London, To-day.

The setback in September to seaborne trade was due to the commercial uncertainty and sinkings while unprotected ships were scattered along the ocean trade routes.

The convoy system and an unceasing offensive by the Royal Navy has resulted in a large reduction of sinkings and in a restoration of confidence.

Hence British imports in October increased by nearly £12,000,000, and exports by £1,500,000.—Reuter.

## GERMANS USE FAVOURITE TACTICS WITH DUTCH

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The Hague, To-day.

The repeated Nazi violations of Dutch neutrality are taken by well-informed observers here to be feelers to test the Dutch determination to resist attempts against the country's neutrality.

Reports from Berlin state that German army, navy and air force quarters disagree as to the necessity of invading the Netherlands prior to an attack on Britain.

Those who oppose such an invasion stress mainly the international repercussions of an attack against peaceful Holland.

German quarters believe that alternate threats and promises might induce the Netherlands to "see the Reich's viewpoint."—Havas.

## ARMY LEAVE RESTORED

Amsterdam, To-day.

Periodical leave in the Netherlands Army will be restored from to-day.

The leave was cancelled on October 10, when Holland grew worried over the movements of Nazi troops on the other side of the Netherlands-German frontier.—Reuter.

## THREAT TO SINK DUTCH LINER

Rotterdam, To-day.

At the request of the Holland-America Company the Dutch Legation in Berlin has been instructed to protest against the inclusion of the Dutch liner Veendam in the latest German list of liners alleged to have been armed against U-boats by Britain.

A vessel of 15,450 tons, the Veendam was built in 1923.—Reuter.

## PEPPER IMPORTS BANNED

London, To-day.

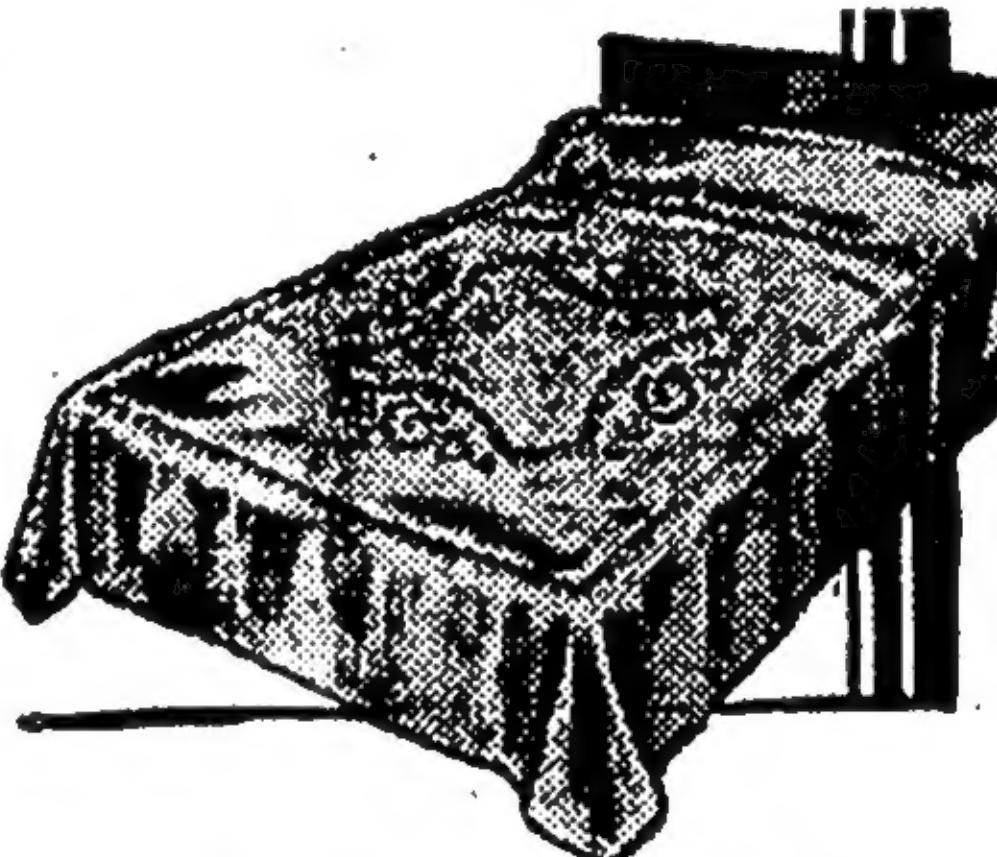
Importations of ground and unground pepper are prohibited under a new order issued by the Board of Trade yesterday.

No applications for import licenses will be entertained until further notice.—Reuter.

## WRECK MAY BE BLOWN UP

London, To-day.

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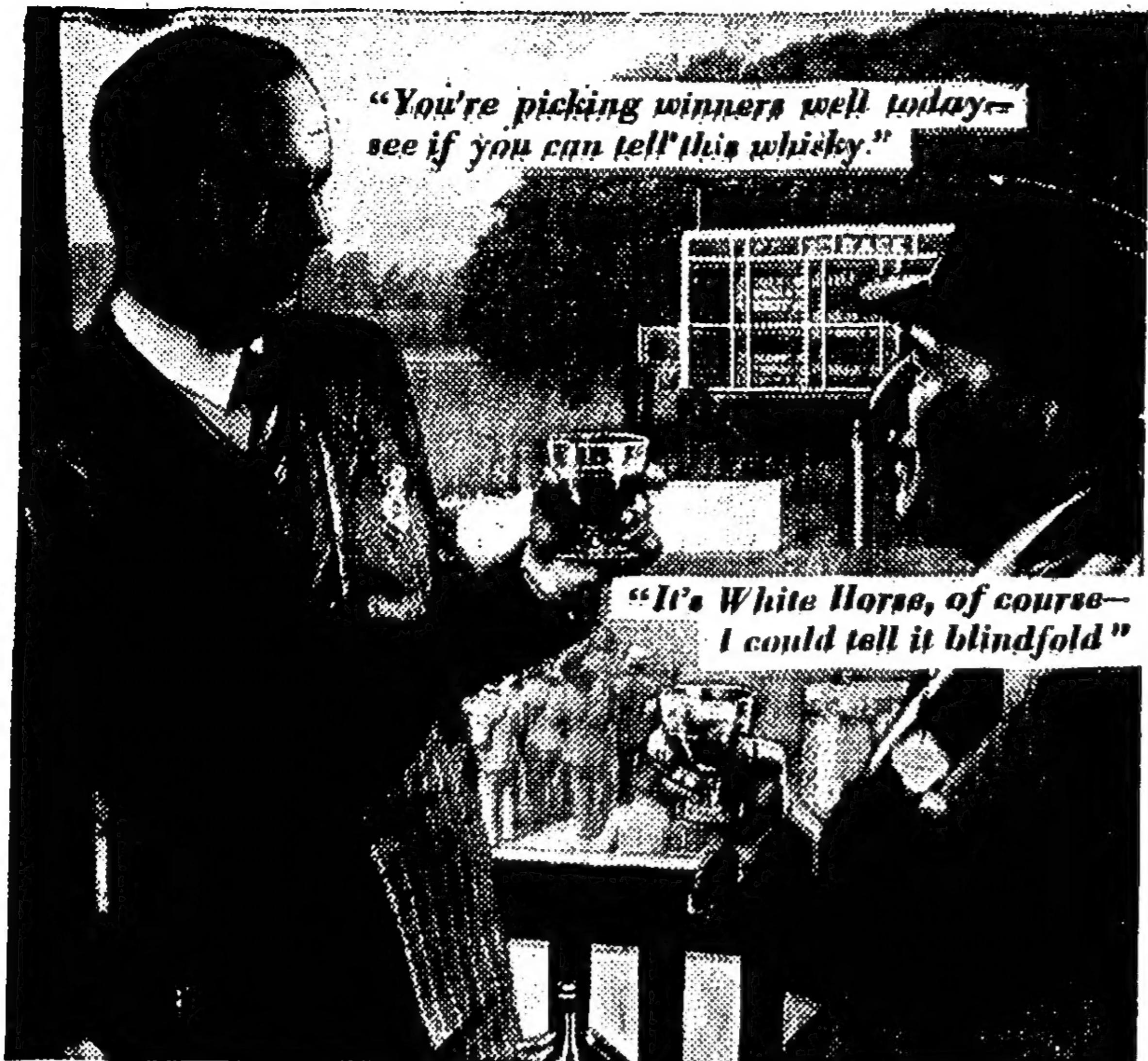
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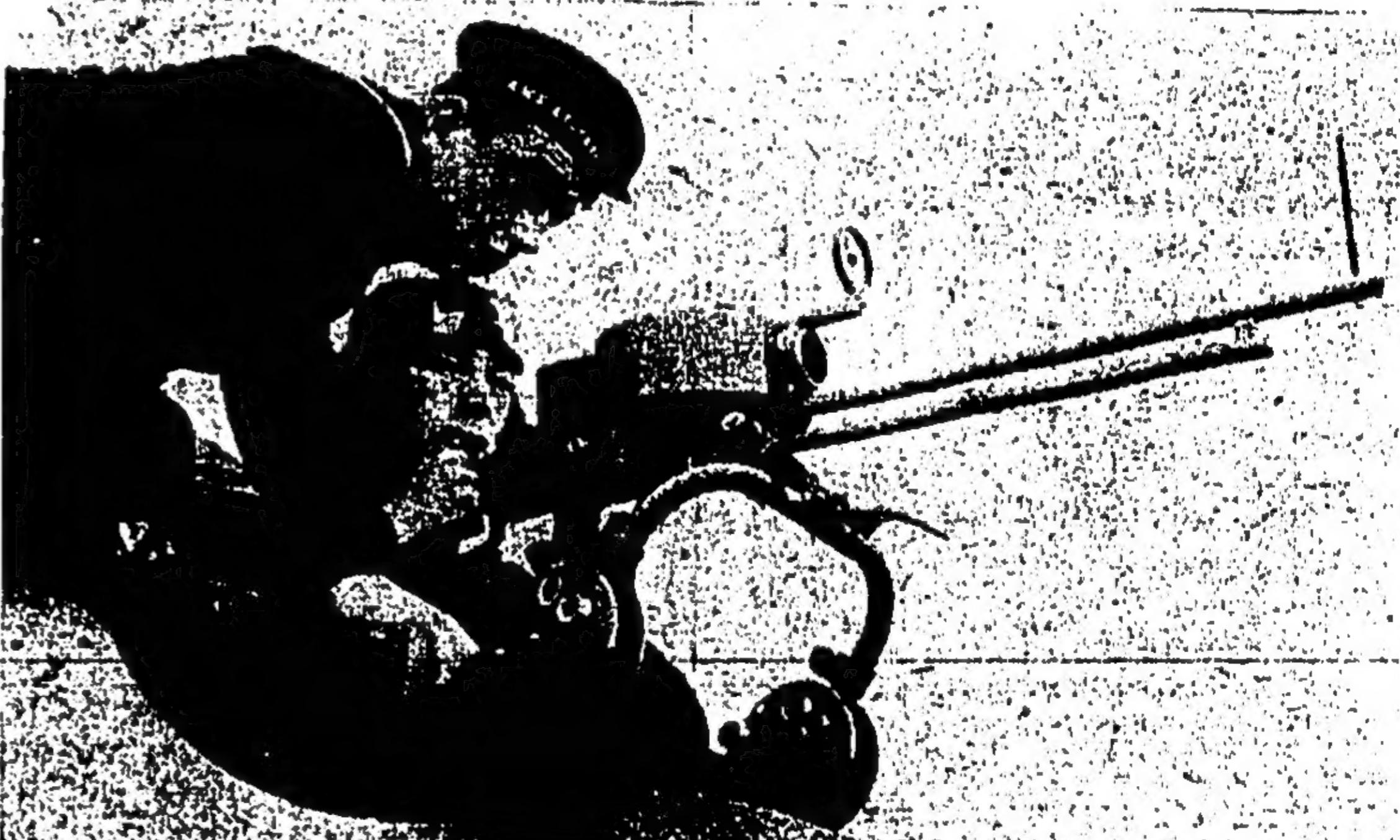
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### FRENCH ATTACK ON U-BOAT

Paris, To-day. The French Navy has captured several thousand tons more of German shipping than it has lost. The commander of a 719-ton survey ship is receiving special commendation, for having made a dangerous but successful counter-attack against a U-boat.—Reuter.

### NAZI SEAMEN IN ENGLAND

London, To-day. Fifty-eight German prisoners marched through a south coast town yesterday under armed guard. They were the crew of a Nazi steamer seized by the Royal Navy earlier in the week. — Reuter.

By George McManus

# COLONY TRADE FIGURES UP

ACCORDING TO AN official report released for publication by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports the combined values of imports and exports of merchandise (excluding treasure) as declared during the month of October, 1939, totalled \$90.8 millions (£5.6 millions) as compared with \$80.8 millions (£5.0 millions) in October, 1938.

In terms of local currency the total visible trade of the Colony (excluding treasure) increased by 12.4% in October, 1939, as compared with October, 1938; and by 12.0% in terms of sterling.

**Imports of merchandise in October, 1939, totalled \$46.9 millions (£2.9 millions) as compared with \$40.4 millions (£2.5 millions) in October, 1938, and exports \$43.9 millions (£2.7 millions) as compared with \$40.4 millions (£2.5 millions).**

Imports of merchandise in October, 1939 increased by 16.1% in terms of local currency, and by 16.0% in terms of sterling. Exports of merchandise in October, 1939 increased by 8.7% in terms of local currency, and by 8.0% in terms of sterling.

During the first ten months of 1939 imports of merchandise totalled \$490.5 millions (£30.1 millions) as compared with \$518.0 millions (£32.0 millions) in the corresponding period of 1938; and exports \$446.8 millions (£27.4 millions) as compared with \$437.0 millions (£27.0 millions). Imports of merchandise decreased by 5.3% in terms of local currency and by 5.9% in terms of sterling; exports increased by 2.2% in terms of local currency and by 1.5% in terms of sterling.

The following table shows comparative imports and exports of merchandise during each of the first ten months of 1939 as compared with the corresponding months of 1938 and 1937, in \$'s and £'s sterling (in millions):—

	IMPORTS		EXPORTS		
	1937	1938	1939	1938	1939
January	\$39.9	61.7	40.7	34.1	39.4
	£ 2.5	3.8	2.5	2.1	2.4
February	\$38.5	41.4	36.8	30.9	38.5
	£ 2.4	2.6	2.3	1.9	2.4
March	\$53.4	59.0	48.0	40.7	57.5
	£ 3.3	3.6	3.0	2.5	3.6
April	\$54.8	59.3	57.1	34.1	51.4
	£ 3.4	3.6	3.5	2.1	3.2
May	\$49.8	63.3	59.1	40.1	46.1
	£ 3.1	3.9	3.6	2.5	2.8
June	\$50.1	57.5	59.3	38.9	37.0
	£ 3.1	3.6	3.6	2.4	2.3
July	\$50.2	47.8	50.6	36.2	36.7
	£ 3.1	3.0	3.1	2.2	2.3
August	\$54.9	48.5	52.2	38.2	38.7
	£ 3.4	3.0	3.2	2.4	2.4
September	\$64.7	39.1	39.9	39.4	51.3
	£ 4.0	2.4	2.5	2.4	3.2
October	\$51.8	40.4	46.9	43.6	40.4
	£ 3.2	2.5	2.9	2.7	2.5

The following table shows comparative figures of imports and exports of Merchandise and Treasure during the months of October, 1939 and October, 1938:—

	IMPORTS		Moscow, To-day.
	October, 1938	October, 1939	
Merchandise	\$46,870,925	\$40,397,743	An agreement has been signed for the exchange of Germans in Russian-occupied Poland for Russians in German-occupied Poland.—Reuter.
Treasure	\$ 157,787	\$ 318,438	
Total:—	\$47,028,712	\$40,716,181	



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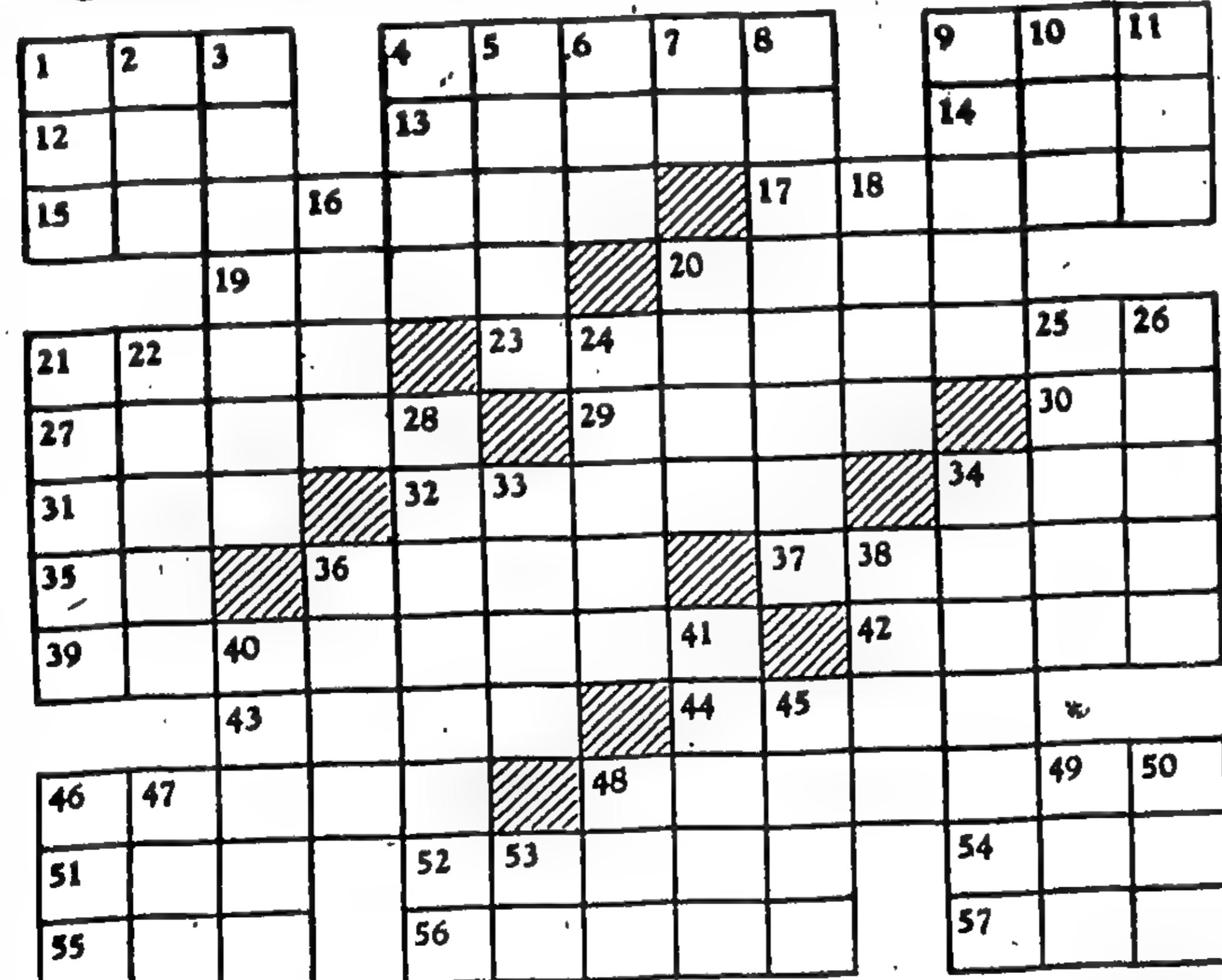
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- 12 Vase
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- 14 Pastry
- 15 Withdraw
- 17 Servants
- 19 Position
- 20 Face covering
- 21 God of war
- 23 Axles
- 27 Harvests
- 29 Soaks
- 30 Note of scale
- 31 Ship channel
- 32 Vanity
- 34 Prohibit
- 35 Hypothetical force
- 36 Preposition
- 37 Adorn with hangings
- 39 Remote
- 42 Single things
- 43 Ornamental fabric
- 44 Seventh incarnation of Vishnu

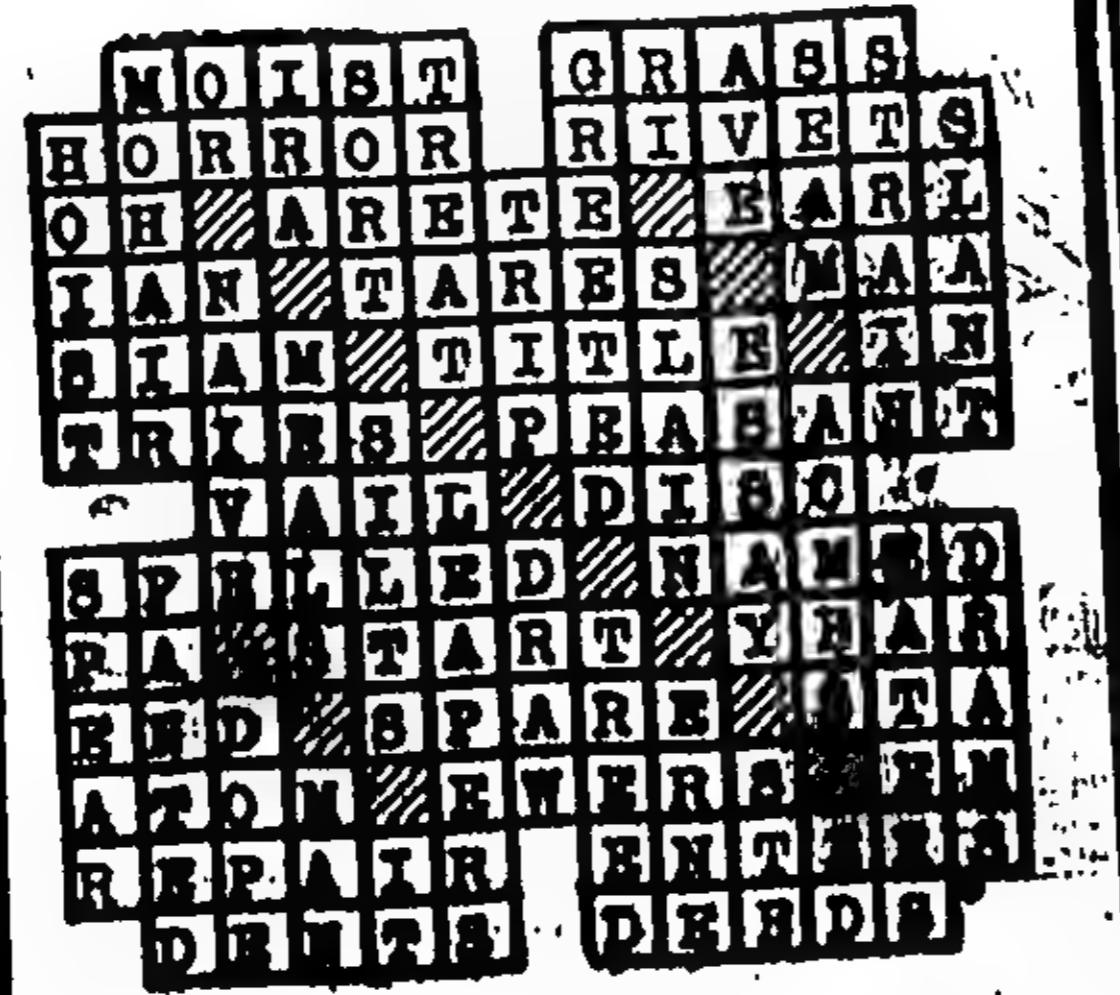
## 46 West Indies republic

- 48 Feels regret
- 51 Kind of tree
- 52 Din
- 54 To be ill
- 55 Small
- 56 Twelve dozen
- 57 Secret agent

## VERTICAL

- 1 Unexploded shell
- 2 Anger
- 3 Beg
- 4 Diagram
- 5 Toothed bars
- 6 Worthless leaving
- 7 King of Bashan
- 8 Fostered
- 9 Upset
- 10 Help
- 11 Footlike part
- 16 Irritate
- 18 Assists
- 20 Contended
- 21 Grecian gulf
- 22 19th century English novelist
- 24 Excellent
- 25 Russian stockade
- 26 Fathers
- 28 Trimming up
- 33 Was borne
- 34 Fruit (pl.)
- 36 Level
- 38 Italian city
- 40 Region (poetic)
- 41 Apparel
- 45 Irritates
- 46 Cut down
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- 49 Overturn
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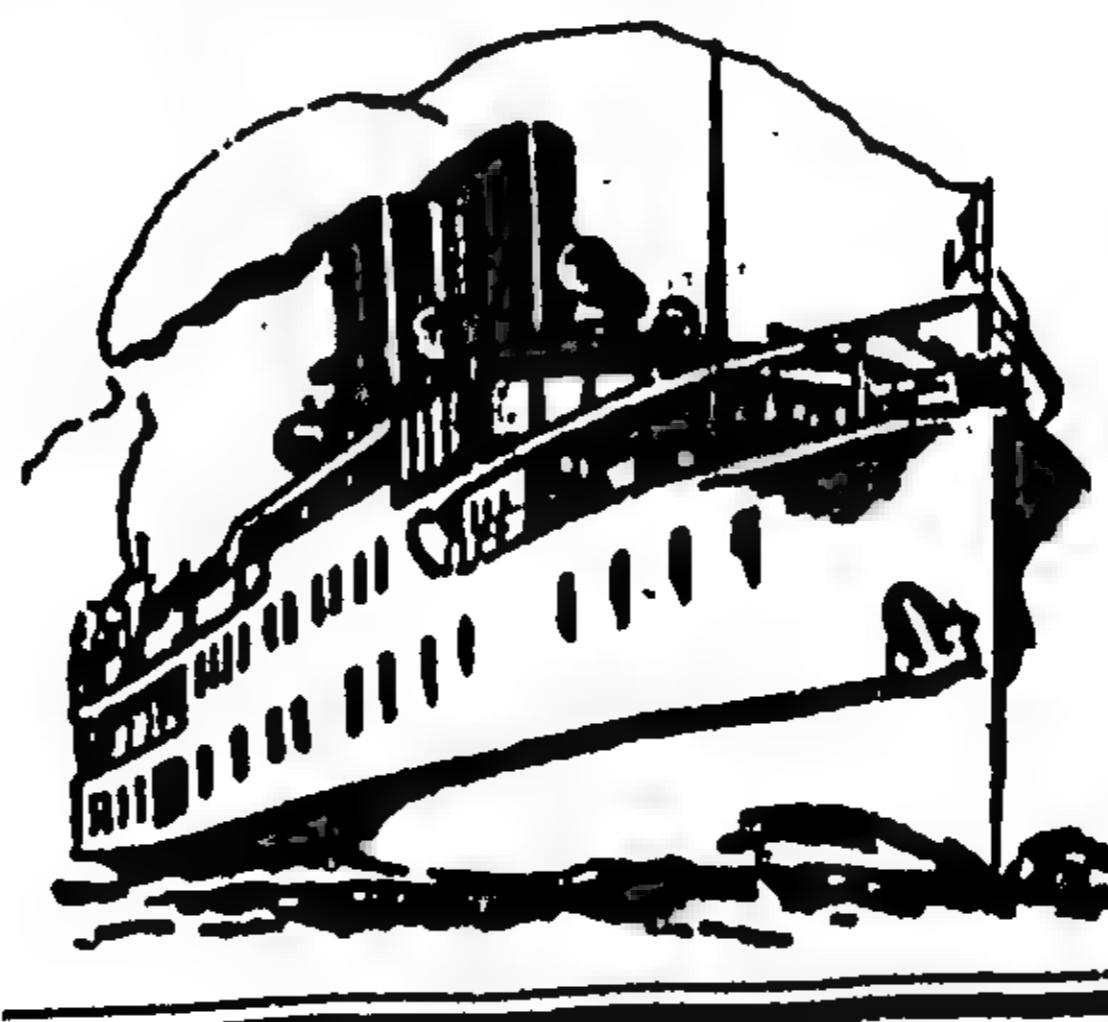
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\$15 1/4 sa.

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China Lights (Old) \$7.60 b., \$7.85

sa.

H.K. Electrics \$40 3/4 b., \$50 sa.

Telephones (Old) \$20.60 b.

INDUSTRIALS

Cements \$14.60 b., \$14.90 s.

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms (Old) \$19 1/2 b., \$19 1/2

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Mind. Mother Lode Ps. .07 1/2 sa.

Mine Operation Ps. .09 b.

North Camarines Ps. .15 sa.

Paracale Gumaus Ps. .18 sa.

San Mauricio Ps. .82 sa.

Surigao Consol. Ps. .16 1/2 b.

Suyoc Consol. Ps. .13 1/2 sa.

Syndicate Inv. Ps. .025 b.

United Paracales Ps. .32 1/2 sa.

ATTACKED BY FELLOW  
WORKER

Following an attack with a heavy instrument by a fellow painter, Pun Lai, 49, painter, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital at 5.30 p.m. yesterday and died at 12.40 a.m. to-day.

The assault was alleged to have taken place near Gun Cap Hill, Kowloon.

The Police are searching for the other man.

ATTACKS ON  
RELIGION IN  
POLAND

Rome, To-day.  
Widespread desecration and religious persecution in Soviet-occupied Poland is reported by the Vatican radio.

It declares that Lwow Church, one of the largest in Poland, has been turned into a stable.

Other churches have been converted into cinemas and monasteries, while convents have been requisitioned by the Soviet authorities.—Reuter.

POSSESSION  
OF ARMS

Suet Loi, a former commander of a squad of the Defence Corps in Chinese Territory was sentenced to one month's imprisonment, starting from the first day of the Sessions by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, for possession of two revolvers and an automatic.

The following jurors were empanelled:—Messrs. G. Gerrard (foreman), J. E. Walker, J. W. Lee, Hoi Kai-suey, Iu Tak-lam, Soo Choi-tsang, H. A. Roza.

Mr. J. B. Prentis conducted the case for the Crown.

His Lordship said that the case could have been dealt with by a magistrate as both the police and the prosecution did not take a serious view of the case.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty without retiring with a recommendation to leniency.

IRONIC NEUTRAL  
COMMENT

Amsterdam, To-day.  
Ironical comment on the sinkings of Dutch ships by German U-boats and mines is "Holland has lost as many lives in this war as have been lost on the whole of the western front."

The managing director of the Royal Dutch Steamship Co., owners of the Simon Bolivar, yesterday said: "Holland feels nothing but the deepest gratitude to Britain for the loving care extended to those rescued." —Reuter.

SCHELDT OPENED

Amsterdam, To-day.  
The entire entrance to the River Scheldt has now been reopened to shipping.—Reuter.

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## TO-DAY'S STRANGE STORY OF REAL PEOPLE

## NO. 109 — STRANGE DISAPPEARANCE OF J. D. ROCKEFELLER'S FATHER

By JOEL C. MATHEWS

A peddler gesticulating in the deaf-and-dumb language surprised busy Richford housewives who opened their doors to his vigorous knocks. And because he was so young, so tall, so virile, so handsome his affliction readily struck enough pity to make them buy whatever he might dangle before their eyes.

It was in the year 1833. Richford was a modest New York village that lay up near Cayuga Lake. This peddler appearing suddenly at its doors was destined to cloak himself in a black secret that for a half century cast gloom over what is perhaps the most famous family in America.

That fascinating, itinerant pack-bearer who thus appealed to the pity of Richford housewives had lately appeared with his family at a farm on the outskirts of town. He had just turned 23, was keen of eye and joyful of heart, without fear or conscience — the dashing kind of adventurer that women love and men suspect. His name was William Avery Rockefeller. He was not a jot deaf, neither was he mute, although for months he made his new neighbours converse with him by pencil, upon a slate which he carried. He disappeared for long periods at a time, presumably to peddle his wares throughout the neighbouring country. Then after a while, his role changed. He suddenly outgrew his affliction and became "Doctor" Rockefeller, inventor and dispenser of a wondrous cure for cancer. Thereafter he generally returned home with plethoric purse. Indeed, he was soon buying fine clothes, expensive shotguns, fast horses. He became a fearless whip, a dashing equestrian, a fine shot, a beau among women. In short, he was the chief sporting character of the community. Yet he was a strict abstainer from alcohol. He would have been quite the fine gentleman in appearance but for the eccentricity of leaving off his necktie, the better to display a big diamond stud in the bosom of his shirt.

Mystery always shrouded his long absences and his plenteous supply of ready money. It was while on one of his prolonged trips that he met Eliza Davison, daughter of a prosperous farmer of Moravia, N.Y., whom he brought home to Richford as his wife. One of the several children born to them was John D. Rockefeller, later to be heralded as "the king of America multimillionaires." About four years after the birth of this child of destiny the family commenced a long and tedious period of moving to Moravia, N.Y., Oswego, N.Y., Strongsville, Ohio, and Parma, Ohio. During this period, the cancer doctor was home but little; yet while there he always improved his property by indulging a fad that seemed weirdly inconsistent with his lack of domesticity. This was a penchant for planting trees. Grove after grove still stand as monuments to his memory. Finally, in 1857, he moved his wife and children to a snug brick house in Cleveland. Soon afterward, he took his hat from its peg, stepped forth into the night and, to his wife, became a hazy memory. His son, John D., was then 18.

During the next 32 years the deserter's patient wife waited vainly for his return. When, in 1889, she died in utter ignorance of the fate that had overtaken him she was listed in her burial certificate as a "Widow." Luckily, her sons had a passion for money making. The wolf did not lurk long at her door.

The mystery of William Avery Rockefeller's disappearance continued, oddly enough, to be overlooked by press and public alike until a long time after his son, John D., had flashed into the financial firmament as a luminary of the first magnitude. Then some chance writer sounded the alarm, and scribes and detectives, professional and amateur, sallied forth to beat every bush for the lost father of America's most



A Peddler Gesticulating In the Deaf and Dumb Language.

conspicuous citizen. In the years that have since followed our country and Canada have both been scoured and a fortune has been spent in hunting down false clues as to his whereabouts. The late editor, Joseph Pulitzer, put a big price on the lost man's head and is said to have lavished \$8,000 on the mystery. At one time rival newspaper sleuths assigned to the case waged an exciting war of

wits, necessitating the employment of telegraphic codes such as those used by great military forces in the field.

In the exciting hunt for the missing man detectives employed by the Rockefeller family crossed the paths of the newspaper sleuths. The apparent secrecy cloaking operations of the family's agents aroused suspicion that the vanished man's sons dreaded his discovery by outside interests that

might reveal the secret back of his disappearance.

The most persistent theories as to William Avery Rockefeller's career after he left his wife, locate him, variously, as a wealthy lumber magnate of Canada, as a ranchman of Northwestern United States, as "Dr. Lavering" of Madison, Wisconsin and as "Dr. Livingston" of Freeport, Illinois. The first two theories were but vague from the outset. The Madison address at which he was said to reside was found to be non-existent and the sleuth who hunted "Dr. Livingston" to his lair in Freeport arrived there some time after that gentleman had died.

John K. Winkler, in a biography of John D. Rockefeller, Sr., states that in September 1902 at his estate, Forest Hill, East Cleveland, he received a visit from his father, then immensely stout. Asked where he had been those 45 years, he gave evasive replies, then "passed into the mist" again, no member of his family ever hearing from him since.

Skeletons rattle louder in the full closets of the rich than in the empty closets of the poor.

By a distinguished biographer, the elder John D. Rockefeller was called "the world's most tragic figure."

Was his deep melancholy due to the riddle of his father's fate or to fear that some tragedy connected therewith might one day be revealed to a pitiless public?

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Tango—Red Poppies; Nothing But Lies.... Emil Roosz & His Orch.  
Fox-Trots—Garden Of Weed; The Duke Insists.... Paul Whiteman & His Orchestra.  
Fox-Trot—Horsey, Horsey; Novelty Waltz—Maybelle, Maybelle (from 'Hide & Seek').... Billy Cotton & His Band.  
6.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.  
6.32 p.m.—A Programme of Popular Classics compered from the Studio.  
7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.  
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.  
8.03 p.m.—Studio—Recital by Prue Lewis (Violin) and J. R. M. Smith

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- 8.30 p.m.—Scarlatti—The Good Humoured Ladies — Ballet. London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Eugene Goossens.
- 8.47 p.m.—Raymond Newell (Baritone) and Eva Turner (Soprano). For England (Brandon & Murray); Life's Great Sunset (Adams). ... Raymond Newell (Baritone) with Instrumental Accompaniment.
- Homing (Salmon & Del Riego); I Love Thee (Grieg). ... Eva Turner (Soprano) with Piano.
- The Rivetter (Sievier & Arlen); Where's The Sergeant? (Longstaffe). ... Raymond Newell (Baritone).

tone) with Orchestra.

9.05 p.m.—Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—"Cards on the Table".

9.45 p.m.—Variety with Renee Houston, John Henry & "Blossom", Clapham & Dwyer, and Other.

Orch.—When I Am Happy—Valse (Boulanger); Dream Serenade (Boulanger, arr. Satow) .... Georges Boulanger & His Orch.

Comedienne—The Eternal Triangle (A Broadcasting Skit); Love Laughs at Locksmiths (Gay-Houston)....Renee Houston with Orchestra.

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Descriptive Sketch—Clapham and Dwyer on Hobbies....Clapham Dwyer.

Two Pianos—Fox-Trot Medley: Slow Tempo: Birth of the Blue Chloe; Shine on Harvest Moon; Fast Tempo: Robert-e-Lee; I Want to be Happy; I ain't got nobody....Harry Roy's Tiger-Ragamuffins with String Bass and Drums.

10.30 p.m.—London Relay—"Entertainment, Please". An item of humour, gags, American slang, etc.

11.00 p.m.—London Relay—"In England Now".

11.15 p.m.—CLOSE DOWN.

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East, Dealer  
Neither side vulnerable

♦ A J 10 9 8  
♦ J 5 4  
♦ J 3  
♦ K 9 3  
♦ A Q 8  
♦ 7 6

♠ A J 10 9 8  
♦ J 5 4  
♦ J 3  
♦ K 9 3  
♦ A Q 8  
♦ 7 6

♥ A K Q 10 7  
♥ K 10 9 5  
♥ 2  
♥ Q 4 3  
♥ K Q 7 6 5 4 3  
♥ 3  
♦ A Q 8  
♦ 7 6

♣ N  
♣ W  
♣ S  
♣ 2

The bidding:  
East South West North  
1♦ 1♦ Dbl. Pass  
Pass Pass

East's opening one-heart bid was sound, and South's one-spade overcall was fully justified. As for West, his hand indicated four sure trump tricks plus the club King and the knowledge that his partner would hold at least two tricks defensively.

Therefore West's hand indicated a practically sure set and his double was correct. But

here is where East failed to cooperate.

Experience has shown that it is the height of folly to leave in a

business double of one when void in the opponents' suit. For one thing, the opponents must have the majority of the trumps. For another, it is impossible to lead through Declarer's trumps. Thus East should undoubtedly have taken out the double by bidding his other suit, in which event the pair could then have continued to their easy game in hearts. As it was, South managed to make his one-spade contract, due largely to the fact that at no time could East lead a trump.

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Yesterday you were the dealer and held:

♦ A J  
♦ Q 9 3  
♦ A K 6 5 4  
♦ K J 2

ANSWER: Your correct bid is one notrump. In spite of the fact that you have a five-card diamond suit, the bidding of this hand will probably develop better following a one notrump opening than a diamond opening.

Score 100% for one notrump, 70% for one diamond.

QUESTION NO. 263

You are Howard Schenken's partner to-day and hold:

♦ A X  
♦ X X X  
♦ X X X  
♦ K Q X X X

The bidding:

Jacoby Schenken Burnstone You

1♦ 1♦ Pass (?)

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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## THOMSON'S TECHNIQUE

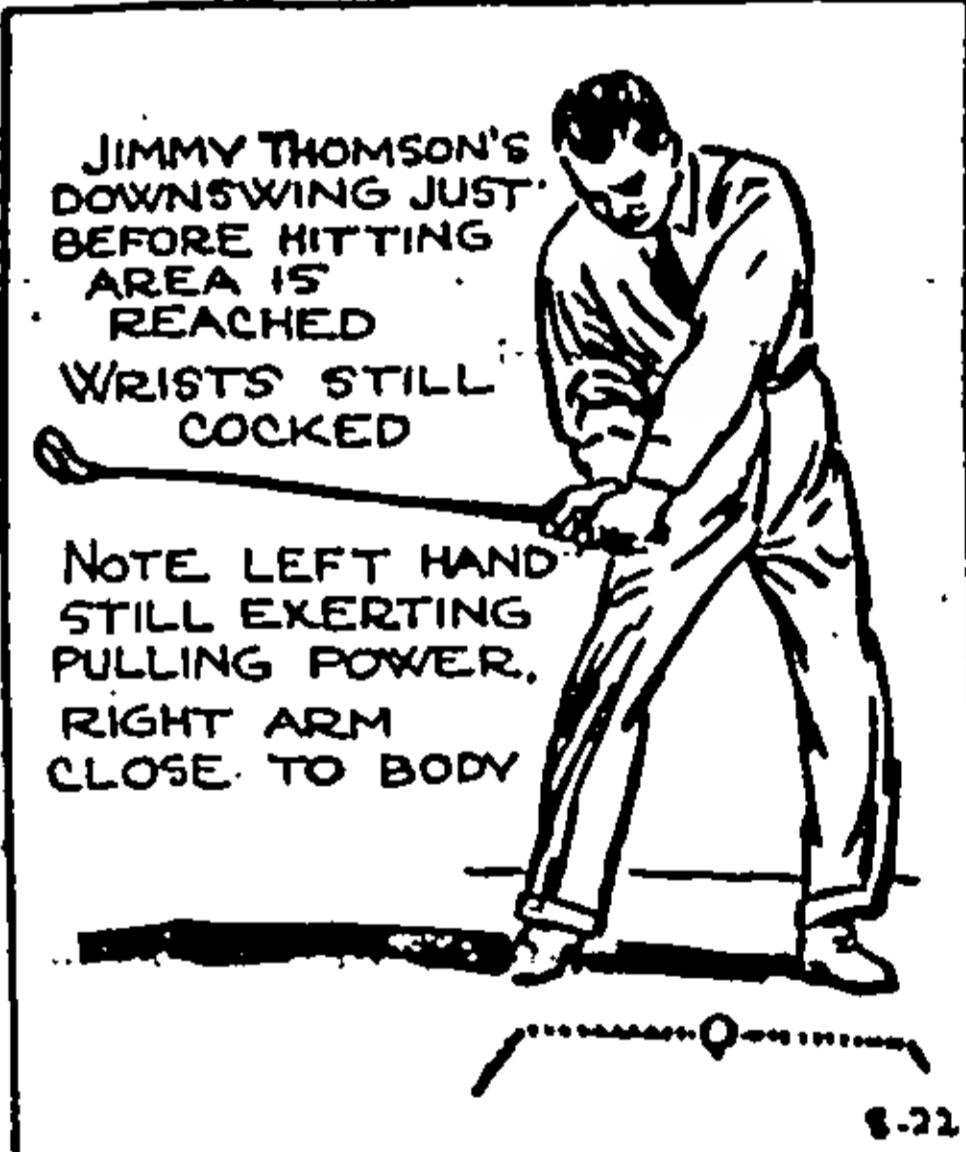
By BEST BALL

One of the causes of hooking is a right arm that flutters too far away from the right side. Jimmy Thomson seems to be taking no chances of a hook creeping into his swing in the above illustration. His right arm is tucked in close bringing the clubhead onto the ball from a slightly inside out angle. Such a technique is aided by a straight left arm which pulls the club down from the top of the stroke and keeps up this motive power as long as possible.

This procedure, followed time after time, produces a grooved stroke in which the various muscles of the body perform with clocklike regularity. For example as soon as the downswing starts the left heel will return to the ground and the right arm will cuddle down to the right side. By turning the left hip well out of the path of the stroke, as Thomson is shown doing here, the left arm can come through with a high degree of smoothness and the velocity of the clubhead is unhampered.

To-morrow—Golfing Grip.

## GRAPHIC GOLF



### LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-7/8. Spot was quoted at 23-1/2 and forward at 23-9/16.

The London on New York cross rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.00 and New York on London £—U.S.\$3.93-1/2.

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## POLICE RUGBY CHANGES

(By "SCRUM-HALF")

Police will meet Royal Navy for the first time this season when the two fifteen clash in a friendly game on Boundary Street ground to-morrow at 4.15 p.m.

No information is available yet regarding Navy's side, but it will have to be as good if not better than their best "A" team. Police are taking the opportunity of experimenting with Taylor at full-back and Wall at centre three-quarter, while Fay and Leslie have changed places. Morrison is still an absentee, due to injury.

The Police team is as follows:—

Taylor; Reynolds, Fay, Wall and Wilson; Leslie and Luscombe; Wheeler, Searle, Innis; Cullinan, Jenner; Riddell, Dempsey and Davitt.

Reserves:—Jackson and Lewis.

### Navy Team Selected

The following will represent Navy "A" against Police to-morrow:—Lt. Mills, (Bideford); Surg.-Lt. Corcoran, (Tamar), Mr. Pascoe, (Lowestoft), Sub-Lt. Kennedy, (M.T.B.'s), A. B. Bowden, (Thracian); Sto. Gallacher, (Scout), Sub-Lt. Plugge, (Durban); Ldg. Sig. Inglis, (Tamar), Lt. (E.) Brown, (M.T.B.'s), L. S. A. Palmer, (Thracian); Ldg. Wtr. Ferris, (Tamar), L. S. A. Yandell, (Lowestoft); Lt. Bayley, (Cicala), C. P. O. King, (Tamar), A. B. Foster, (Bideford). Reserves:—Lt. Bax, (Scout), Tel. Hall, (M.T.B.'s), Cpl. Marron, (Tamar), Ldg. Sea. Spirit, (M.T.B.'s).

### Thomson's Debut

It will be noted that Thomson is playing scrum-half for Club "A" against Middlesex to-morrow. Playing his first game here, Jimmie Thomson learned his Rugger at Dollar Academy, Scotland, and is reputed to be just as good at stand-off as he is at scrum-half. His display will be watched with interest.

### Shanghai Comment

The following is an extract from a letter to "The North China Daily News" by an enthusiast who deplores the supremacy of the U.S. Marines at the British game. After paying tribute to their fitness, he writes.

"I would earnestly request the British Forces here to consider forming a team which would be called the British Garrison XV or some other such name. They have plenty of experienced players to call on such as Lieut. Wallis, former Irish international; Hamlin, former Hampshire county player; Rayney, former county player; Lieut. Kerrich, Signalman Evans, Cpl. Mackenzie, Pte. Grainger, Lieut. Hammond-Chambers and many others. This would, of course, seriously weaken the Seaforts and the Area Details but I think that the price paid would be worth it for I do not think that defeat would come to such a side."

## JOE LOUIS' NEXT FOE ARRIVES IN U.S.

New York, Nov. 14.

Arturo Godoy of Chile arrived aboard the liner Uruguay on Monday and said he would knock out Joe Louis with a left hook when they fight for the heavyweight championship in Madison Square Garden on February 9. Godoy, former South American titleholder, came here with his pretty dark-haired wife after an 18-day voyage from Buenos Aires. He appeared in excellent physical shape. He said he would take off six of his 200 pounds to get in trim for Louis.

—United Press.

### Dewar Cup Results

In the Semi-Final of the Dewar Cup golf competition at Kowloon Golf Club, W. Kershaw (14) beat A. J. Dennis (6) 2 and 1, and A. E. Davies (6), after being five down at the 13th, beat A. A. Lopes (6) at the 20th.

## TERRY NORONHA PITCHES WAHOOS TO SEASON'S FIRST SHUT-OUT

(By "GRANDSTAND")

**O**UTHITTING Pirates 8 to 7 in the opener at King's Park in the League on Sunday, the Ramblerettes came out on the long end of a 10 to 4 count, making five less miscues than the Bucs' 10. Buccaneers tallied in the first and sixth cantos, two markers coming in each inning, but the Portuguese femmes led from the first frame with a tally of three, jumping to another four in a rally in the third.

It was a heartbreaker for slinger Maudie Read, who played errorless ball, whiffing six Ramblerettes, walking only one, and only giving away three earned markers. She homered in the first, chasing in rightfielder Dot Moss with a hefty clout to centre. All the Buc miscues were confined to the infield.

Recreio first sacker Irene Pereira's double to leftfield in the fourth frame was the longest Portuguese wallop. Ramblerette errors were also confined to the infield, but chucker Ann Noronha had much more support from her girls—she herself handled four chances without bungling, while Marguerite Oliveira again distinguished herself at windy alley with six chances with only a boot. Both teams left four stranded, and five Ramblerettes reached first on errors, to the Bucs' four.

The Portuguese gals lowered their batting average in this tussle after swatting a magnificent .409 in last Sunday's engagement with the Ballgirls, but they're tied with the formidable Wildcats in first place with two straight.

### Wildcats Wallop Cubs

Bombarding two Bruin hurlers for 18 safeties, two of them being circuit clouts by sisters Mary and Doris Mar, Wildcats staged a track meet against Cubs, 30 to 8, in the curtain raiser at Prince Edward Road.

Papa Bear Bill Smith was in the doldrums, suffering the jittery experience of watching his First Division Cubs of last season go into a slump behind the masterful pitching of Lily (Sunshine) Mar, who fanned nine but gave up six free tickets, while her mates collected a neat .383 batting average.

The Untamed Felines rallied in three merry-go-rounds in the first, second and fourth frames before Lily Mar gave second string hurler Pam Yung a chance on the mound. Lily had held the Bruins scoreless and hitless when she toed the rubber, and it was only after Pam went on the hill that the Cubs started tallying, collecting their eight blows off the floaters of Yung.

Sixteen miscues were chalked up by the Bruins, while Wildcats were only guilty of two. Every Cub made at least one bobble, and only Vivienne Churn and catcher Myra Hutchinson could make any kind of a showing with the hickory. Doris Mar connected for three in five, and both Ella Chinn and Pam Yung were each good for three in six trips.

Maisie Reis started on the mound for Cubs, but was derrick in the fourth for Vivienne Churn. Reis allowed 12 hits, and Churn, 6, while there were 11 runs earned off Maisie and four off Vivienne.

### Ballgirls Calcimed

Allowing only three singles, Terry Noronha pitched her Wahoos to the first shut-out in the girls' campaign, when the Ballgirls were blanked 15 to 0.

Sixteen seems to have been an unlucky number on Sunday, because Dave Leonard's

## SCORES AT A GLANCE:

GIRLS'		
Recreio	10	Pirates
Wildcats	30	Cubs
Wahoos	15	Ballgirls
Cardinals	12	Panthers
MEN'S		
Trojans	6	Liga Portuguesa
Bali Club	12	C.B.A.
FRIENDLY		
Recreio	3	U.S.S. Asheville

Ballgirls also committed that number of bungles to give the game away. Thelma Collaco was nicked for 11 safeties, the longest being Therese Noronha's round tripper in the fifth with no one on bases, and Yvonne Yolle's double in the fourth, when she drove in Paula (Tarzan) Chan, whose speed on the base paths caused favourable comment among her cohorts.

Starting with a tally of four in the first frame on only one measly hit and five boots and a walk, the green-shirted Owls counted in each inning, denting the pan seven times in the fourth in a rousing rally. Their theme song apparently played havoc with the Ball Club's morale and the exuberant Wahoos were bewildered when they found the Ballgirls tongue-tied, no less.

Thelma Collaco, did a grand job on the hill for the Ballgirls, only three runs being earned off her, but those errors just about finished her off. She whiffed six and passed one, while Terry Noronha walked one. The only bright spot in the Ballgirls' defence was the unassisted double play "dished up" by second sacker Thelma Motta in the sixth, finishing Victoria Castilho and Doreen To in a brilliant bit of fielding.

### Cards Nose Out Panthers

Trailing 6 to 2 for five innings, Doc Molthen's Cardinals proved their mettle in the next when a sparkling rally netted them 10 markers to decision the Panther Kittens 12 to 11 in the most exciting of the girls' battles.

The Panthers came up within striking distance in that eventful sixth when Terry Marques led off with a single. Lelia Xavier sacrificed her in. Two boots by shortstop Nell Manson and centerfielder Linda Fernandez gave Celeste Marques a life. Irene Tavares bunted her in. Melvy Campos bunted and Sarah Kwong's circuit clout chased in her two mates. Gladys Coates' miff of Efigenia Babida's throw found Terry Botelho safe on first, but the rally died when Myra Noronha popped to Coates and Rosie Leung grounded to Babida. There were no scores in the last inning.

Highlights of the tussle were Babida's homer in the sixth, when fans watched Doc Molthen's blood pressure rise to danger point, and that last-inning effort of the Cards to increase their meagre lead saw Doc a wild man when Gladys Coates was nailed between first and second for the first put-out. Was he sore!

The Kittens miscued 11 times to the Cards' six, and Melvy Campos took batting honours with a perfect 1.000, four in four, followed by Efigenia Babida's .750.

### Trojans Down Liga

Five scattered hits gave the Trojans their first victory of the season when they subdued Liga Portuguesa 6 to 2. The Trojans erred five times to Liga's seven, and the latter could only nick hurler D'Almeida for four blows, one being the longest hit of the fray, Nancy Macques' double in the first inning.

Trojans opened the session with two tallies on no hits, but an error and two passes. Another three in the third and one in the next gave them a lead throughout the tussle.

Liga's scoring came in the first with one marker when Marques' two-bagger drove in Joe Figueiredo. The other came in the sixth when Joe Remedios' fly was booted by left fielder Souza to bring in Harry Campos.

Liga's mentor Daddy Souza started on the mound and was yanked in the fifth, replaced by Americo Lopes. Only strike out of the game was the one by D'Almeida, who also walked three to Souza's two.

### Ball Club's Fifth Straight

Ball Club won their fifth straight victory of the season when they topped C.B.A. 12 to 1 in the curtain closer at C.B.A. Rusty Fedoseyoff was found for nine blows, of which Dave Leonard's homer and brother Stan's double were the longest belts of the game.

C.B.A. spoiled the Ballmen's shut out in the fourth when there were two away. Fedoseyoff singled to right and Dave Leonard's wild toss on Marcus Manning's liner saved a C.B.A. shellacking.

Lefty Abbas pitched for four frames, and

## ARMY SPORTLIGHT

(By "SQUADDY")

It would not be right or fair to allow the Swimming season to finish without a few remarks on the sterling performances put up by the Royal Corps of Signals at water-polo throughout the summer.

They have completed the entire season without being defeated, and their goal average is most impressive, being 80 goals for and only seven against.

Every competition they entered they won, including the Small and Large Units Knock-outs, The Kay Lee Cup, and the Senior League, in which the Signals represented Small Units.

Their team remained unchanged for almost all the games. The players were Sign. Bennet, goalkeeper, L/C. Bedford and Sign. Morgan, backs, Cpl. Ashford, centre-half, and L/Cpl. McCann, Dignan and Pitcher, forwards with Dignan carrying out the captain's duties.

CPL. Ashford has been one of the mainstays of the Signals' team for several years past and has lost none of his brilliance. Water-polo seems to run in his family as his brother is an Aldershot Command player at Home.

Bedford and Morgan have proved themselves an exceedingly sound pair of backs, and they have been lucky to have a goalkeeper of the capabilities of Bennet behind them. McCann and Pitcher have carried out their duties on the wings consistently well in all the games, and Dignan, centre-forward, besides being one of the fastest Army swimmers in the Colony, has also the brains for a centre forward and has the knack of finding the empty spaces in the bath.

Taken all round, Signals must undoubtedly be given the honour of being called Army champions for the season as no other side came within striking distance of them. Well done Signals!

THE Middlesex performance on Saturday, when they drew with South China "A", must be regarded as the best by an Army team this season.

According to form the "Diehards" should have gone down heavily to the Chinese as the Royal Scots had lost 5-1 to them, and in turn the Scots had beaten the Middlesex 4-1.

But there was no doubt about it, their draw was well deserved, and in the second half the soldiers played magnificent football.

A pleasing feature of the game was the return of Pearson. In his first season here Pearson was one of the best forwards in the Colony, being able to play in almost every position with equal skill. An injury, however, prevented him playing for some time and he was not able to recapture his old form, but, judging from the game he played on Saturday he is well on the way to doing so now.

H.Q. 8th R.A. have a strong cricket side this season judging by their form at Sookunpoo on Sunday when they defeated R.A.S.C. so easily. Lieut. Skipwith, Lt. Hook and Lieut. Lomax can all be depended on to score runs and Skipworth is a useful bowler as well. Lieut. Hook, however, will not always be available owing to his hockey activities.

was nicked for the same number of blows. Alvaro Coelho allowed only one safety. Rusty franked eight Leonardmen to first and was also guilty of one wild pitch, while his mates erred on six occasions to the Ball Club's one.

No box scores were kept of the Recreio-U.S.S. Asheville tilt. The Rambling Recs nosed out the bluejackets 3 to 2 in a nine-inning game, but it is probable that the Ramblers would have tallied more times if their first string boys had been out there. Proudest man in the Rambler organisation was Spotty Pereira, because he dumped two of the most perfect bunts in his young life. So he said! We weren't there to witness such a sight, but it must have been good if he said so!

## ENGINEERS BEAT POLICE

At Boundary Street yesterday, Royal Engineers beat Police in the Association Hockey Tournament by two clear goals, scored by Homburg and Fox, one in each half.

Police were without the services of Sgt. Rothwell, who arrived on the field about 10 minutes late, although they were able to field a full team.

Royal Engineers:—L/Spr. Dobson; Lt. Russell and L/Spr. Goodwin; Cpl. Bowring, Spr. Marriott and Cpl. Whitaker; L/Cpl. Singleton, Sgt. Denyer; L/Spr. Homburg, Spr. Heath and Spr. Fox.

Police:—Balwant Singh; Madar Singh and Ali Singh; Williamson, Mahar Singh and Leslie; Sgt. Howlett, Sgt. Brown, Narwant Singh, Ah Singh and Bak Singh.

### WIN FOR JEAN

Jean (Mrs. V. Gowland) won Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club's sixth ladies' race yesterday, beating La Linda (Mrs. M. I. Johnstone) by four seconds. Guri (Miss J. G. Heiberg) was third.

## WEEK-END SOCCER FIXTURES

The following is next week-end's Football League programme:

First Division  
S. China "A" v Kowloon (Caroline Hill at 4.15 p.m.).  
Referee:—Omar.  
Linesmen:—Smith and Hobson.  
Kwong Wah v Middlesex (Boundary Road at 4.15 p.m.).  
Referee:—Silva.  
Linesmen:—Wyper and Demmee.  
R. Navy v Police (Causeway Bay at 4.15 p.m.).  
Referee:—Minham.  
Linesmen:—Dove & Sze Po Wal.  
Second Division "A"  
South China v R.A.O.C. (Caroline Hill at 2.45 p.m.).  
Referee:—Mitchell.  
Eastern v Club (St. Joseph's at 2.45 p.m.).  
Referee:—Fraser.  
8th R.A. v Kit Che (Stanley at 4.15 p.m.).  
Referee:—Ford.  
Second Division "B"  
R. Scots v Engineers (Military at 2.45 p.m.).  
Referee:—Barrett.  
R.A.F. v Kwong Wah (Boundary Road at 2.45 p.m.).  
Referee:—Beard.  
Signals v Kowloon (Kowloon at 4.15 p.m.).

Referee:—Somerville.

Police v University  
Third Division  
5th R.A. v R.A.S.C. (Sookunpoo at 2.45 p.m.).  
Referee:—Foster.

R.A.M.C. v 24th R.A. (Sookunpoo at 4.15 p.m.).  
Referee:—Hinchliffe.

International v Engineers (Military at 4.15 p.m.).  
Referee:—Gibson.

12th R.A. v R. Scots (Stanley at 2.45 p.m.).  
Referee:—Baker.

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First Division  
\*St. Joseph's v S. China "B" (Caroline Hill at 4.15 p.m.).

Eastern v R. Scots (Club at 4.15 p.m.).  
Referee:—Stokes.

Linesmen:—Ient and Phillips.  
Third Division

South China v Kumaons (Caroline Hill at 2.45 p.m.).  
Referee:—Banham.

Signals v Electric (Club at 2.45 p.m.).  
Referee:—Carley.

30th R.A. v 5th R.A. (Stanley at 2.45 p.m.).  
Referee:—Harlock.

\* Postponed.

## BILLIARDS, DARTS AND SNOOKER

Following are latest results in the Steel Coulson's and H. B. League:

### BILLIARDS

R.E. Sgts Mess 0 G. Sgts Mess "A" 3  
S. B. Carden 150 S. B.  
Gales 124 Haslam 150 45  
Shipp 98 Wood 150

G. Sgts Mess "B" 0 Naval Police 3  
Brown 112 Whelan 150  
Cullimore 120 Roach 150  
Chalcraft 144 Brown 150

H. B. Club 3 H.K. Police 0  
Low 150 Ellis 84  
Marcel 150 Bradsell 102  
Ng 150 Pope 93

R.E. Sgts Mess 1 P. O. C. 2  
Gales 137 Gowland 150  
Wellwood 150 Hill 79  
Shipp 79 Gooding 150

G. Sgts Mess "A" 2 Taikoo Club 1  
Haslam 150 Stainton 80  
Wood 150 Munro 116  
Carden 126 Main 150

C.C.C. 0 Civil Service C.C. 3  
Solina 51 Jones 150  
Hong Sling 97 Rakusen 150  
Kitchell 118 Grimmitt 150

Dockyard Rec. Club 3 R.A.F. Sgts Mess 0  
Jackson 150 Williams 106  
Marsh 150 Aikman 67  
Lewis 150 Harrison 124

### BILLIARDS LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

P. W. L. F. A. Pts.  
H.B. Club 4 4 0 11 1 11  
Civil Service C.C. 4 4 0 10 2 10  
Craigengower C.C. 4 3 1 8 4 8  
Garrison S/Mess "A" 4 2 2 7 5 7  
Dockyard Rec. Club 3 2 1 6 3 6  
Naval Police 3 1 2 5 4 5  
Hong Kong Police 3 2 1 5 4 5  
Prison Officers Club 4 2 2 5 7 5  
R.A.F. S/Mess 4 1 3 4 8 4  
Taikoo Club 4 1 3 4 8 4  
C.P.O.R.C. 2 1 1 2 4 2  
R.E. Sgts. Mess 4 0 4 2 10 2  
Garrison S/Mess "B" 3 0 3 0 9 0  
Highest Break 45—By Rakusen (C.S. C.C.) and Haslam (Garrison).

### SNOOKER

R.E. Sgts Mess 1 Garrison "A" 2  
S. B. Haslam S. B.  
Brannon 36 Haslam 47  
Rogers 25 Rogers 34  
Lowe 58 Gill 49

Garrison "B" 1 Naval Police 2  
Emberson 47 Brown 40  
Stokes 37 Matthews 52  
Morris 28 Whelan 53

H.B. Club 1 Hong Kong Police 2  
Santos 55 Goodwin 43  
Low 29 Pope 43  
Castilho 41 Bradsell 47

R.E. Sgts Mess 2 P. O. C. 11  
Rogers 39 Hill 52  
Lowe 64 Woodward 32  
Brannon 53 Marvin 42

Garrison "A" 2 Taikoo Club 1  
Gill 59 Grimes 19  
Harden 43 Kew 50  
Rogers 65 Wright 17

Craigengower C.C. 0 Civil Service C.C. 3  
Ladd 20 Strange 54  
Solina 46 Ebbage 60  
Hong Sling 39 Rakusen 44

Dockyard Rec. Club 2 R.A.F. Sgts Mess 1  
Foreman 41 New 20  
Mitchell 47 Collins 57  
Smith 78 Bloomfield 36

### SNOOKER LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

P. W. L. F. A. Pts.  
R.E. Sgts. Mess 4 3 1 9 3 9  
C.S.C.C. 4 3 1 9 3 9  
C.P.O.R.C. 2 2 0 6 0 6  
Naval Police 3 3 0 6 3 6  
H.B. Club 4 1 3 6 6 6  
Prison Officers Club 4 2 2 6 6 6  
Garrison S/Mess "A" 4 2 2 6 6 6  
Hong Kong Police 3 2 1 5 4 5  
Garrison S/Mess "B" 3 1 2 4 5 4  
Dockyard Rec. Club 3 2 1 4 5 4  
Craigengower C.C. 4 1 3 3 9 3  
Taikoo Club 4 1 3 3 9 3  
R.A.F. S/Mess 4 0 4 2 10 2  
Highest Break 30—by G. A. Low (H. B. Club).

### DARTS

R.E. Sgts Mess 0 G. Sgts Mess "A" 5  
S. B. Chalcraft S. B.  
Bartlett 0 Winn 1  
Lowe 0 Carden 1  
Shipp 0 Bell 1  
Dobson 0 Estall 1

R.E. Sgts Mess 3 P. O. C. 27  
Dockyard Rec. Club 2 R.A.F. Sgts Mess 3

### DARTS LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

P. W. L. F. A. Pts.  
R.A.F. Sgts. Mess 4 3 1 11 9 11  
Garrison Sgts. Mess "A" 3 2 0 10 0 10  
Hong Kong Police 2 1 1 6 4 6  
C. & P.O.R.C. 2 1 1 4 6 4  
R.E. Sgts. Mess 2 1 1 3 7 3  
Naval Police 1 0 1 2 3 2  
Prison Officers Club 2 0 2 2 8 2  
Dockyard Rec. Club 1 0 1 2 3 2  
Highest game finish, Gentle (C. & P.O.R.C.) 58 and Chalcraft (G.S.M.) 58.  
Highest score in 3 successive darts, Sgt. Collins (R.A.F.) 120.

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Paris, To-day.

WHILE A NAZI-SOVIET military alliance does not exist and diplomatic understanding is very imperfect, absolute understanding and co-operation have been reached in the propaganda sphere.

While Germany abandoned her anti-Communist platform, Russia forgot her anti-Fascist blasts and both are spreading "anti-Capitalist, anti-Imperialist" slogans.

## BRITISH STEAMER TORPEDOED

London, To-day.

Another British steamer, the Arlington Court, fell victim to a Nazi U-boat yesterday, the vessel being sunk off the Irish coast.

Twenty-two of the crew were picked up by a Dutch steamer, and 11 are still missing.

The crew abandoned ship in two lifeboats. When the boat that was picked up drew alongside the Dutch rescue vessel, the Chief Engineer was dead, having succumbed to wounds.

**BOATS SEPARATED**

A survivor said the two lifeboats soon became separated, and anxious

It is significant that Hitler, speaking at Munich on November 8, opposed "Nazi civilization to capitalistic barbarity."

It is recalled that Nazi planes recently dropped in French territory "bombphlets" containing the speech of M. Molotov on November 7.

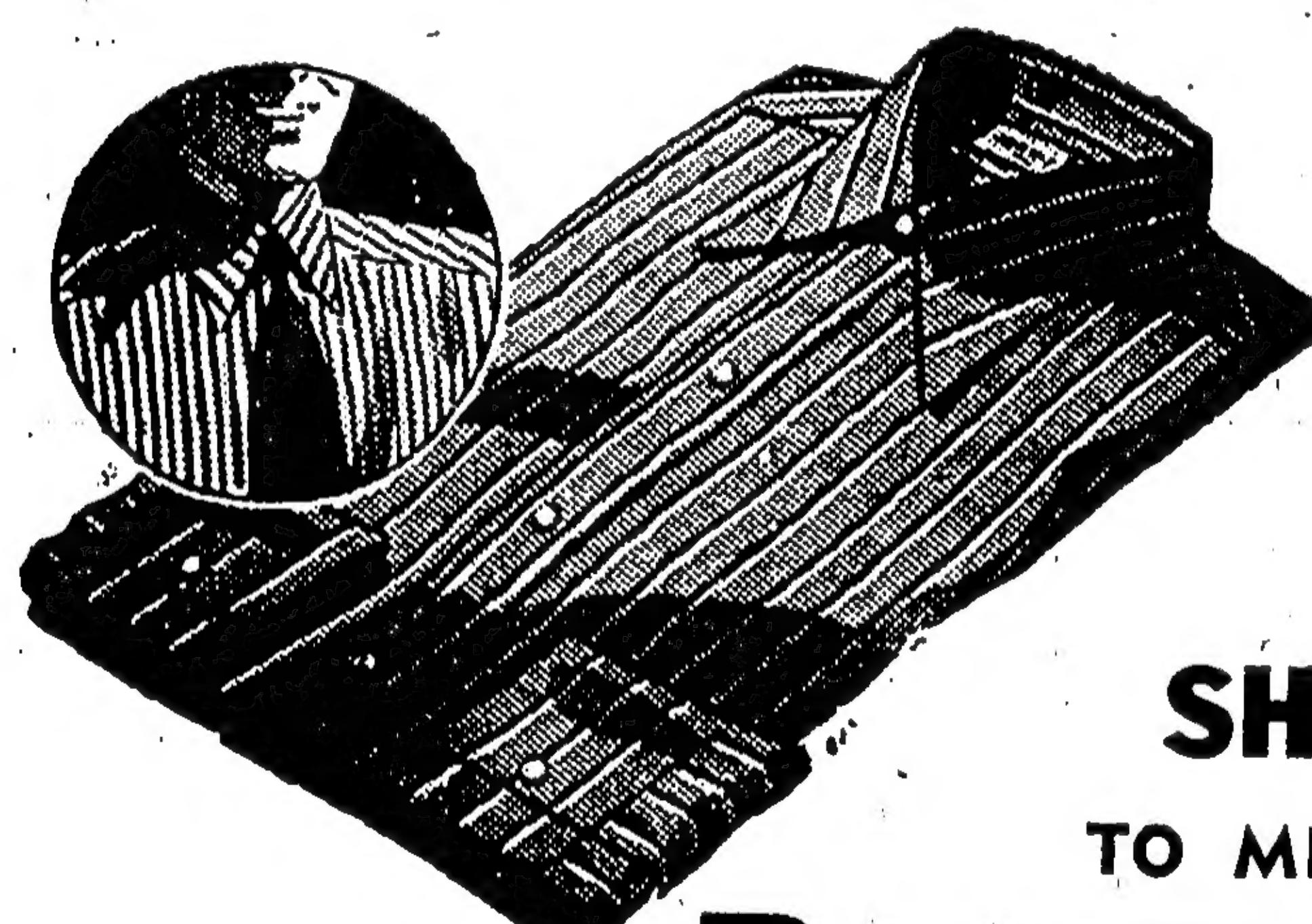
### CONFUSING NAZIS

It is reliably reported that the "Communist branch" from the Nazi propaganda bureau recently created for spreading Communism everywhere may prove useful to Germany.

Adventurous political manoeuvring, however, is dangerously confusing the rank and file and party and political fermentation, as well as the troubles in Bohemia and Moravia, are considered one of the motives for German military inactivity. — Havas.

search by rescue vessels has failed to reveal any trace of the missing boat.

The Arlington Court is a ship of 4,915 tons. She was built in Belfast in 1924 for the Court Line, of London, and is a sister ship of the Kensington Court, whose crew of 34 were rescued by R.A.F. planes in September after the ship had been sunk by a U-boat in the Atlantic.—Reuter.



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Kwang Chow Wan, To-day. The invading Japanese forces suffered a defeat at the hands of Chinese troops from Nanning yesterday afternoon.

The battle occurred north of Taitse (The Big Temple). The Japanese vanguard was routed and forced to withdraw to Taitse leaving hundreds killed and wounded behind.

Japanese reinforcements landed at Yamchowfu are being rushed northwards to the area and Japanese aircraft are incessantly bombing the Chinese positions between Yamchow and Nanning.

Japanese planes were this morning reported bombing Nanning and the Chinese defences outside the city. Civilians in Nanning are being hastily evacuated. All private vehicles are being commandeered by the military authorities for the purpose of evacuation. Everything is being prepared for the Japanese attack on the former capital of Kwangsi.

Reports from Pakhoi state that the situation is tense; Government offices are being transferred inland and all newspapers have packed up their machinery ready to evacuate.

Meanwhile troops and war supplies are still being landed from transports along the coast at Yamchow and north-west of Pakhoi. —Our Own Correspondent.

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